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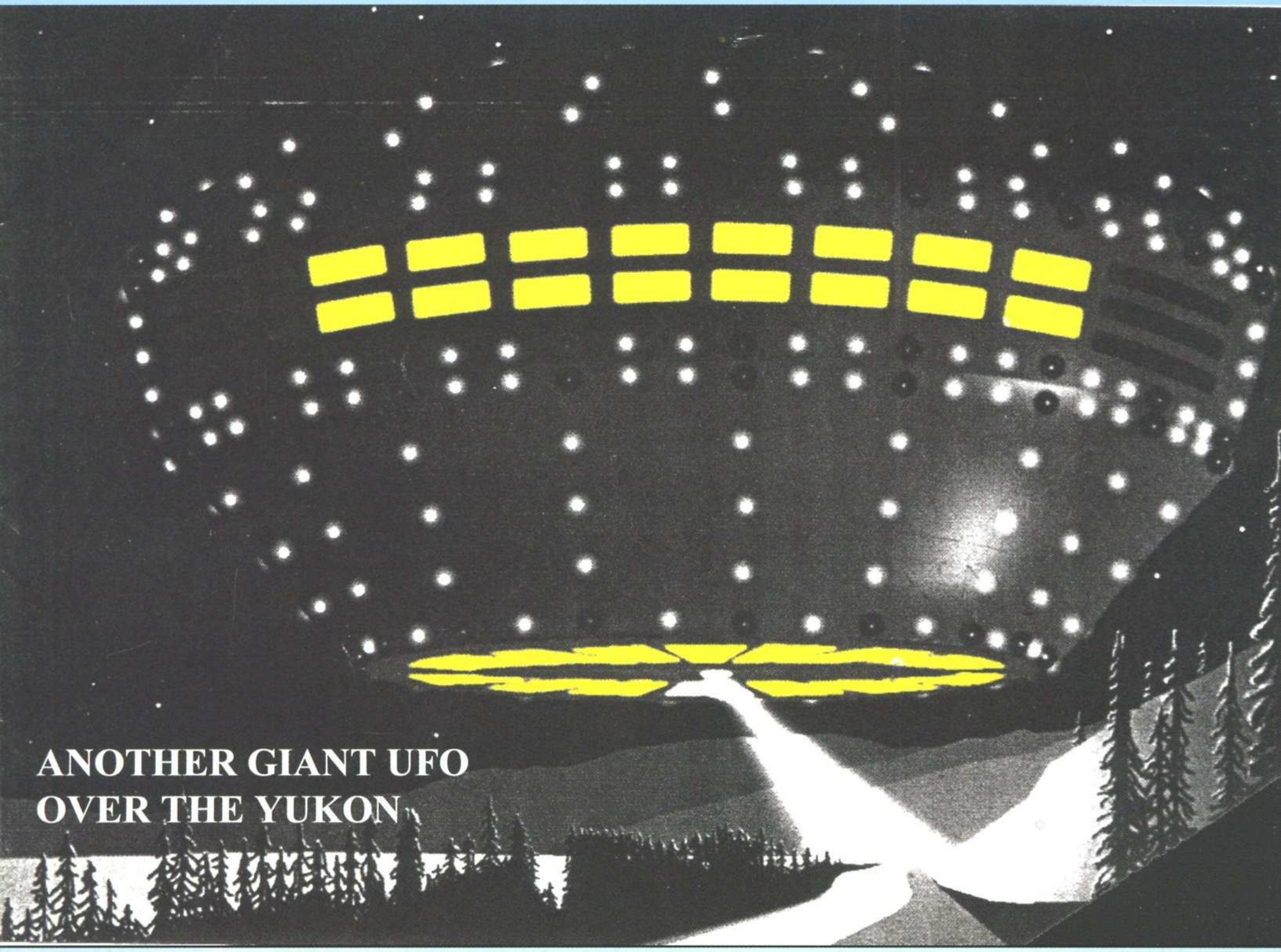

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"There exists a shadowy Government with its own Air Force, its own Navy, its own fundraising mechanism, and the ability to pursue its own ideas of national interest, free from all checks and balances, and free from the law itself."

- *Senator Daniel K. Inouye*

"In the counsels of Government, we must guard against the acquisition of unwarranted influence, whether sought or unsought, by the Military Industrial Complex. The potential for the disastrous rise of misplaced power exists, and will persist. We must never let the weight of this combination endanger our liberties or democratic processes. We should take nothing for granted. Only an alert and knowledgeable citizenry can compel the proper meshing of the huge industrial and military machinery of defense with our peaceful methods and goals so that security and liberty may prosper together."

- *President Eisenhower - January 1961*

EDITORIAL: THE TESTIMONY OF THE FIRST ONE HUNDRED WITNESSES.

As no doubt all, or at any rate most of FSR's readers will know, Steven Greer, the doctor from West Virginia, has for the last ten years or so been conducting a rigorous, initially one-man campaign to force the American Government to admit to the presence here of alien visitors who, so he claims, are all intensely benevolent to humans, and who are positively longing to bring us all the benefits of their own astounding technology.

I must make it clear at the outset that, apart from the "alien presence", I accept none of these daft premises.

But in 1991 Dr Greer launched his campaign organisation, CSETI (Center for the Study of Extraterrestrial Intelligence), and he has ploughed ahead persistently and doggedly, refusing to be deflected from his immediate aims of gathering the signatures of a million Americans for presentation to Congress, and for the recruitment of at least four hundred top-level individuals from all branches of

the U.S. (and other!) armed services, Intelligence, NASA, etc, who jointly will have the courage to stand up before Congress and swear on oath that they have seen what they have seen, and that they know what they know.

Moreover, on May 9 of this year, in the Ballroom of the prestigious American National Press Club in Washington, Dr Greer assembled the first batch of some 20 or so of his top-quality witnesses, and delivered a substantial press conference to launch his campaign.

Regardless of my own divergent views on many aspects of the so-called UFO MYSTERY, I want to make it equally clear that I entirely applaud everything that Dr Greer is now doing, and that I admire him for his great zeal and tenacity.

Despite an extremely interesting piece of "Internet jamming" which will be mentioned later, the gathering was largely successful, as the eyewitnesses were all able to stand up and give their names and make their (condensed) statements. The conference was delivered worldwide live over the Internet by steaming audio/video, and continues to be available via Greer's website at **www.cseti.org** which carries a link to the main Disclosure Project website. Also worth consulting is Whitley Strieber's site at **www.strieber.com**

Representatives of the U.S. media were present in the conference hall; many questions were asked and answered; and there was a very considerable response subsequently in the U.S. media and elsewhere in the world -even in *Pravda*! Here in Britain, where the public were well bogged down either in football or other sport or in our own footling election campaign (by political parties none of whom will face up to Britain's real problems), it has been the easiest of tasks to suffocate the news and prevent anything but the faintest of whispers from getting out.

But in the U.S.A. and the world as a whole, it is a different story. The affair is now on the Internet. **The bumble bee is now out of the jam jar, and nothing is ever going to get him back in there.**

The content of the Disclosure Project website is considerable. As FSR has only 26 pages per issue we can merely report what we see as most important and most compelling -and that, quite naturally, is the vast body of testimony given by Dr Greer's witnesses. It is therefore on **this** that we will concentrate, commencing with this issue, and spreading the rest over our next two issues for this year. This is all the space that we shall be able to give.

In amplification of what I have said above about the differences between my conclusions and those of Dr Greer, I must emphasise that I do most firmly believe in the existence in the Cosmos of many levels of "Higher Beings" -yes, **Guardians,** even **Angels** if you like.

Nor has FSR, right from its origins, ever ceased to suggest that both the higher and the lower categories of entities must surely exist, precisely as indicated also in all the known Religions of mankind. But that plainly something very, very malignant is also "out there" -huge numbers of human individuals have testified, and one would think the evidence was clear enough even for a small child to see.

As for the idea of throwing open to this species of terrestrial humanity the utopia of a technology probably thousands of years ahead of ours, well that is preposterous! Any higher species of being would conclude that the technology which we **already** have is far beyond anything that we are actually fit to possess at our present level of social and moral development!

A FINAL THOUGHT.

In FSR we have not hesitated to state that there have been "suspicious deaths", and we note that concern has likewise been expressed by many other people, in particular the late Col. Steve Wilson, USAF, the late Dr Michael Wolf, Dr K. Leir, Dr Richard Boylan, Detective Sergeant Tony Dodd, and many of the Roswell witnesses.

Furthermore, you will note that, right at the commencement of this first instalment of the witnesses' testimony, there are no less than five, Brigadier General Stephen Lovekin, Merle Shane McDow, "Dr B.", Lance Corporal Jonathan Weygandt, and Security Officer Larry Warren, **all of whom mention the problem of folk who have "disappeared"!**

The question which I ask is this: Now that unwelcome truths are starting to trickle out, what are the chances that our "Masters" may attempt to regain ground by launching a large-scale killing spree? As we have always said, our only protection is *publicity*. Those who operate in the shadows seem to dislike publicity very much, and that should surprise nobody.

N.B. If you consult the latest issue of the *Fortean Times* (July 2001) which is regarded by so many in Britain as this country's "No. 1 UFO journal", you will see that this first batch of Dr Greer's whistleblowers are all wild fantasists or madmen, and no doubt we can look to the same authoritative source for the final proof that the same is true of the rest of the 400. -G.C.■

THE WITNESSES.

A. TESTIMONY THAT EXPLAINS THE SECRECY.

●Brigadier General Stephen Lovekin: Army National Guard Reserves.
●Merle Shane McDow: US Navy Atlantic Command.
●Lt. Col. Charles Brown: US Air Force (Ret.).
●"Dr. B".
●Lance Corporal Jonathan Weygandt: US Marine Corps.
●Maj. George A. Filer, III: US Air Force (Ret.).
●Nick Pope: British Ministry of Defense Official.
●Larry Warren: US Air Force, Security Officer.
●Sgt. Clifford Stone: US Army.
●Master Sgt. Dan Morris: US Air Force, NRO Operative.
●A.H.: Boeing Aerospace Employee.
●Officer Alan Godfrey: British Police.
●Sgt. Karl Wolf: US Air Force.
●Ms. Donna Hare: NASA Employee.
●Mr. John Maynard: DIA Official.
●Dr. Robert Wood: McDonnell Douglas Aerospace Engineer.
●Glen Dennis: NM UFO Crash Witness.
●Sgt. Leonard Pretko: US Air Force.
●Dr. Roberto Pinotti: Italian UFO expert.
●Dr. Paul Czysz: McDonnell Douglas Career Engineer.
●Astronaut Edgar Mitchell.
●John Callahan: FAA Head of Accidents and Investigations.
●Michael Smith: US Air Force Radar Controller.
●Franklin Carter: US Navy Radar Technician.
●Neil Daniels: United Airlines Pilot.
●Lt. Frederick Fox: US Navy Pilot.
●Captain Robert Salas: US Air Force, SAC Launch Controller.
●Prof. Robert Jacobs: US Air Force.
●Harry Allen Jordan: US Navy.
●James Kopf: US Navy Crypto-Communications.

B. WITNESS TESTIMONY.

●Astronaut Edgar Mitchell: May 1998.
●Monsignor Corrado Balducci: September 2000.

C. RADAR AND PILOT CASES.

●FAA Division Chief John Callahan.
●Sgt. Chuck Sorrells: US Air Force (ret.).
●Mr. Michael W. Smith: US Air Force.
●Commander Graham Bethume: US Navy (ret.).
●Mr. Enrique Colbeck: Senior Air Traffic Controller.
●Dr. Richard Haines
●Mr. Franklin Carter: US Navy.
●Neil Daniels: Airline Pilot.
●Sgt. Robert Blazina (ret.).
●Lieutenant Frederick Marshall Fox: US Navy (ret.).
●Captain Massimo Poggi.
●Lt. Bob Walker: US Army.
●Mr. Don Bockelman: US Army.

D. SAC/NUKE.

●Captain Robert Salas.
●Professor Robert Jacobs: Lt. US Air Force.
●Lt. Colonel Dwynne Arneson: US Air Force (ret.).
●Colonel Ross Dedrickson: US Air Force/AEC (ret.).
●Harry Allen Jordan: US Navy.
●Mr. James Kopf: US Navy/National Security Agency.
●Lieutenant Colonel Joe Wojtecki, US Air Force.
●Staff Sergeant Stoney Campbell: US Air Force.

E. GOVERNMENT INSIDERS/ NASA/ DEEP INSIDERS.

●Astronaut Gordon Cooper.
●Brigadier General Steven Lovekin, Esq.: Army National Guard Reserve.
●Merle Shane McDow: US Navy Atlantic Command.
●Lieutenant Colonel Charles Brown: US Air Force (ret.), October.
●Dr. Carol Rosin.
●"Dr. B.".
●Lance Corporal John Weygandt: U.S. Marine Corps.
●Major A. Filer III: U.S. Air Force.
●Mr. Nick Pope: British Ministry Of Defense.
●Admiral Lord Hill-Norton: Five-Star Admiral, Former Head of the British Ministry of Defense.
●Security Officer Larry Warren: United States Air Force.
●Captain Lori Rehfeldt.
●Sergeant Clifford Stone: United States Army.
●Major-General Vasily Alexeyev: Russian Air Force.
●Master Sergeant Dan Morris: US Air Force/NRO Operative (ret.).
●Mr. Don Phillips: Lockheed Skunkworks, USAF, and CIA Contractor.
●Captain Bill Uhouse: US Marine Corps (ret.).
●Lieutenant Colonel John Williams: US Air Force (ret.).
●Mr. Don Johnson.
●A.H.: Boeing Aerospace, December 2000.
●British Police Officer Alan Godfrey.
●Mr. Gordon Creighton: Former British Foreign Service Official.
●Sergeant Karl Wolfe: US Air Force.
●Donna Hare: Former NASA Employee.
●Mr. John Maynard: Defense Intelligence Agency (ret.).
●Mr. Harland Bentley: US Army.
●Dr. Robert Wood: McDonnell Douglas Aerospace Engineer.
●Dr. Alfred Webre: Senior Policy Analyst, Stanford Research Institute.
●Denise McKenzie: Former SAIC employee.
●Mr. Paul H. Utz.
●Colonel Phillip J. Corso, Sr.: US Army (ret.).
●Mr. Glen Dennis.
●Lieutenant Walter Haut: US Navy.
●Buck Sergeant Leonard Pretko: US Air Force.
●Mr. Dan Willis: US Navy.
●Dr. Roberto Pinotti.

F. TECHNOLOGY/SCIENCE.

●Mr. Mark McCandlish: US Air Force.
●Professor Paul Czysz.
●Dr. Hal Puthoff.
●David Hamilton: Department of Energy.
●Lieutenant Colonel Thomas E. Bearden: US Army (ret).
●Dr. Eugene Mallove.
●Dr. Paul La Violette.
●Mr. Fred Threlfell: Royal Canadian Air Force.
●Dr. Ted Lodder.■

GOVERNMENT IS COVERING UP UFO EVIDENCE, BY JULIA DUIN. *THE WASHINGTON TIMES*, MAY 11, 2001.

The U.S. government has been covering up evidence of extraterrestrial visits for more than 50 years, an array of 20 retired Air Force, Federal Aviation Administration and Intelligence officers said Wednesday. They demanded Congress hold hearings on what they say is long-standing secret U.S. involvement with UFOs and extraterrestrials.

Calling it the "greatest secret of the 20th century," the officials, who termed themselves "witnesses" of UFO-related events, described a series of military investigations they said they saw: crashes of alien spacecraft, bodies of alien beings, secret government documents, even James Bond-style "erasures" of people who knew too much.

"The individuals who have these sightings range from airline pilots and military pilots to police officers, some of the people your lives depend on, on a daily basis," retired Air Force Lt. Col. Charles Brown told a roomful of skeptical reporters.

"They are very reputable, dependable people," he said. "The field is filled with hoaxes and scams," said Dr. Steven Greer, director of the Disclosure Project, which had gathered the witnesses. "But it doesn´t mean all of it is."

The 20 witnesses, he said, were a fraction of the 400 people who are willing to testify under oath and under congressional immunity about a secretive portion of the government they say has gone out of control.

UFOs have long fascinated Americans, including several U.S. presidents. Webster L. Hubbell, a former associate attorney general under President Clinton, has described in an autobiography his unsuccessful quest to determine Government involvement in the topic.

John Callahan, a former FAA division chief of accidents and investigations, said he was directed by CIA officers to cover up a Nov. 18, 1986, incident involving a UFO and a Japanese airliner near Anchorage, Alaska. "We were all sworn to secrecy that this event never happened," he said. (See FSR 32/2 and 45/3.)

Michael Smith, a former U.S. Air Force air traffic controller stationed near Klamath Falls, Ore., in the 1960s and early 1970s, reported seeing a UFO hovering at 80,000 feet one night.

"I was told you keep it to yourself," he said. "NORAD [North American Aerospace Defense Command] called me one night to say there´s a UFO coming up the California coastline. I asked them what to do. They said nothing, not to write it down."

After he was stationed at another military base in Michigan, UFOs were so close to one landing strip, he said, that two incoming B-52s had to be steered around them.

The Disclosure Project, a Crozet, Va.-based research organization that has been gathering government witnesses for several years, says its reason for going public is because the U.S. government has long had information on anti-gravity propulsion systems. These have been retrieved from downed spacecraft, such as those from a purported crash in Roswell, N.M., in July 1947.

These propulsion systems, which would use electromagnetic and "zero point energy state" technology to produce vast amounts of energy without any pollution, would drastically change the world´s oil-based economy. Such energy sources would not require damming the world´s rivers or building power plants, transmission lines or other expensive infrastructures needed to produce electricity for the world´s 6 billion inhabitants.

Such electro-gravitic technology would also allow people to travel totally above the ground, rendering roads obsolete. Several witnesses talked of incredible speeds demonstrated by these crafts, estimated by radar technicians to be more than 10,000 miles an hour. The fastest known speed of a man-made aircraft is 3,000 miles an hour.

But information on extraterrestrial speeds is never made public, said Daniel Sheehan, counsel for Project Disclosure. Even the Vatican Library, he said, has hidden information on UFOs.

Donna Hare, a NASA design illustrator with secret clearance, said UFOs were routinely airbrushed out of high altitude photos of the Earth before being released to the public.

"We always airbrush them out before we release them to the public," one technician told her. Curious, she began asking around the agency.

"A guard told me he was asked to burn some photographs and not to look at them," she said. "And there was another guard guarding him, watching him burn the photographs. He looked at one and it was a picture of a UFO and he immediately was hit in the head and had a big gash in his forehead."

Apollo astronauts, she said, had spotted UFOs, but they "are told to keep this quiet and not to talk about it," she said. One of them, Edgar Mitchell, who walked on the Moon as part of the Apollo 14 team, is a witness for Project Disclosure.

Karl Wolf, an Air Force sergeant who was assigned to the National Security Agency, said that mysterious structures were discovered on the far side of the Moon when the United States was mapping its surface before the 1969 lunar landing. Those photos too were culled out of the public record.

The Pentagon does not comment on UFOs, except to say they do not exist and that such objects really are high altitude balloons, swamp gas or military aircraft.

Despite the government´s refusal to discuss the issue, several witnesses have also told of being stationed at military bases or near silos containing nuclear missiles when a UFO swung by. Afterward, military officers would discover the missiles had been temporarily deactivated.■

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE LIVE WEBCAST ON MAY 9TH? (Disclosure Project update, May 25, 2001.)

According to management of ConnectLive.com, which was airing the webcast of the Disclosure Project press conference, they were hit with sophisticated jamming.

They had never experienced anything like it in the hundreds of webcasts they had conducted. It was not hacking and it was not the result of not enough bandwidth capabilities. Approximately 250,000 connections were made to view the live webcast - a record for that site.

As a result of the jamming the webcast was down for about 10 to 15% of the time. They received hundreds of queries as to what the problem was.

This was ConnectLive's May 9th message about the jamming: "If you are having trouble connecting, do not fear... it will be archived in its entirety for the next 6 months. The archive will be placed online this afternoon.

There have been a number of sophisticated attempts to jam the signal, however, we have very successfully managed to get around those attempts and thousands of people have watched the live broadcast. Please keep trying."

The press conference has been archived in its entirety, and will be available in the archive until Nov. 9th, 2001 at http://www.connectlive.com/events/disclosureproject/

The video tape of the May 9th press conference is now available for order at the above web site as well.■

THE TESTIMONY.

A. TESTIMONY THAT EXPLAINS THE SECRECY.

The reasons for secrecy are clear: global power, economic and technological control, geo-political status quo, the fear of scandal surrounding the exposure of such projects and their behavior and so forth.

But the one thing more dangerous than disclosure is continued secrecy. The Earth is dying because we are killing her. The top 250 people and families in the world have the net worth of 2.5 billion of our poorest citizens. The promising relationship between humanity and people from other planets is being militarized and strained by failed thinking and failed programs run completely in secret.

As daunting as disclosure may be, with all its potential for short-term instability and change, continued secrecy means that we will destroy the Earth through our folly and greed. The future of humanity, which has been delayed and hijacked for the past 50 years, cannot be hijacked for 50 more. For we do not have 50 more years — the Earth's ecosystem will collapse before then.

There are no easy choices. But there is one right one. Will you help us make it?

Brigadier General Stephen Lovekin: Army National Guard Reserves.

"But what happened was that Eisenhower got sold out. Without him knowing it, he lost control of what was going on with the entire UFO situation. In his last address to the nation, I think he was telling us that the Military Industrial Complex would stick you in the back if you were not totally vigilant. And, I think that he felt like he had not been vigilant. I think he felt like he trusted too many people. And, Eisenhower was a trusting man. He was a good man. And I think that he realized that all of a sudden this matter is going into the control of corporations that could very well act to the detriment of this country.

"This frustration, from what I can remember, went on for months. He realized that he was losing control of the UFO subject. He realized that the phenomenon or whatever it was that we were faced with was not going to be in the best hands. As far as I can remember, that was the expression that was used, 'It is not going to be in the best hands.' That was a real concern. And so it has turned out to be…

"It had been discussed with me on numerous occasions what could happen to me militarily if I discussed this. I would say that the government has done as good a job enforcing secrecy through the installation of abject fear as they have done with anything within the memory of modern man. I really believe they have done a job.

"One older officer discussed with me what possibly could happen if there was a revelation. He was talking about being erased and I said, 'Man, what do you mean erased?' And, he said, 'Yes, you will be erased — disappear.' And I said, 'How do you know all this?' And he said, 'I know. Those threats have been made and carried out. Those threats started way back in 1947. The Army Air Force was given absolute control over how to handle this. This being the biggest security situation that this country has ever dealt with and there have been some erasures…'

"I don't care what kind of a person you are. I don't care how strong or courageous you are. It would be a very fearful situation because from what Matt [this older officer] said, 'They will go after not only you. They will go after your family.' Those were his words. And, so I can only say that the reason that they have managed to keep it under wraps for so long is through fear. They are very selective about how they pull someone out to make an example of. And I know that that has been done."

Merle Shane McDow: US Navy Atlantic Command.

"These two gentlemen began to question me about this event. They were being pretty rough about it, to be honest with you. I remember literally putting my hands up and saying, 'Wait a minute fellows. I am on your side. Just a minute.' Because they were not really nice.

"They were very intimidating and made it quite clear to the point that nothing that was seen, heard, or witnessed, that transpired was to leave this building. 'You are not to say a word about it to your co-workers. And off base, you just forget everything that you may have seen or heard concerning this. It didn't happen...'"

Lt. Col. Charles Brown: US Air Force (Retired).

"It is sort of strange but we send people to prison, we send people to their death because of eyewitness accounts of crimes. Our legal system is based on that to a large degree. Yet in my following of unusual aerial phenomena for the past 50 years, there seems to be some reason to discredit very viable and very reputable witnesses when they say something is unidentified...

"I do know that there are agencies of our Government that can manipulate data. And you can create or recreate [whatever you want]. Craft, intelligently operated craft, have basically violated our laws of physics on this planet. And they have done that for a long time. The fact that the Government at this point — I know we have been investigating since 1947 — has not come up with an answer, to me indicates that there is something seriously wrong. Are we this incompetent in science? I don't think so. Are we this incompetent in intelligence? I know we are not this incompetent in intelligence. Now, Project Blue Book, when it was closed by Dr. Condon's group, I have every reason to believe that this was a total deliberate whitewash....

"UFOs have been investigated for an extended period of time and the general public is not being made aware, fully aware — but are given only bits and pieces, programmed responses and things like that."

"Dr. B".

"I know that some people I worked with did disappear on certain programs and were never heard from again. They just disappeared. There has been evidence of that all through my work. You know, that people go out on projects [and disappear]. But [to protect myself from this] I wouldn't go any further on a project because I could see something strange coming. So, a lot of people have disappeared you know, that are higher up."

Lance Corporal Jonathan Weygandt: US Marine Corps.

"'You weren't supposed to be there.' 'You are not supposed to see this.' 'You are going to be dangerous if we let you go.' I thought that they were going to kill me, really...

"They had a Lieutenant Colonel from the Air Force and he did not identify himself. And he told me, 'If we just took you out in the jungle, they would never find you out there.' I didn't want to test him to see if he would really do that so I just said, 'Yeah.' And, he said, 'You have got to sign these papers. You never saw this.' I "don't exist" and "this situation never happened." And if you tell anybody, you will just come up missing...'

"They are yelling at me and hollering and cursing. 'You didn't see anything. We will do you and your whole goddamn family.'

"It was basically that for about eight or nine hours... 'We are going to take you off in a helicopter and we are going to kick your ass out in the jungle and we are going to end you...'

"These different agencies are on their own. They don't obey the law. They are rogue. Do I think that this is a project that goes up through the government and everyone has a piece in it? No. I think these guys operate on their own and no one knows what they do. It is so easy to do today. And there is no oversight, no control. They just do whatever they want...

"Lethal, deadly force has been used. For those of you who don't know, I know marine snipers and I have heard other guys talk about it and I've heard that these guys go on the streets and they stalk people and they kill them. I know that the Army Airborne snipers do the same thing. They use Delta Force to go grab these people and silence them by killing them."

Maj. George A. Filer, III: US Air Force (ret.).

"At times I used to carry nuclear weapons. In other words, I was mentally fit to carry nuclear weapons, but I'm not mentally fit if I see a UFO. This criticism and this ridicule have done more to keep the story from coming out than almost anything else."

Nick Pope: British Ministry of Defense Official.

"I believe that governments and the military, and indeed private researchers, politicians- whoever- should place everything in the public domain on this issue. Governments can't, I think, have it both ways. You cannot say on the one hand, as the party line often goes, that UFOs are of no defense significance, and then on the other keep back some of the data.

"You simply can't do that. You have to have it one way or the other. And if, as governments consistently say when the politicians probe on this issue or when the media inquire, that there's really nothing to worry about, then okay, let's see all the data."

Larry Warren: US Air Force, Security Officer.

"We were gone over with a Geiger counter and there was one return on one of the guys, and something was taken out of his pocket. This guy was removed very quickly. And, I will swear on my life, I never saw him again. He was removed. This happened to a lot of people. It led to a suicide that the Air Force is responsible for. This is a real person with a real name...

"We were brought in and there were sheets on top of the law enforcement desk. There were about 10 of us.

And there were one, two, three, four, five, six, seven stacks of documents, pre-typed. One was a pre-typed statement, all generic, of what we saw — which was not what we saw. It said we were off-duty and saw only unknown lights flipping amongst the trees. I clearly remember that. I said, what if we don't sign this, Major Zigler? And, he says, you have no choice. And, he says, I have no choice but to ask you to do this…

"Two people came up behind each of us, and I do remember someone heading toward him, and I heard the sound of what sounded like an aerosol. And, I went black. My nose ran profusely and my chest got tight. I, obviously, was not getting into the car properly, so I was beaten, literally hit in the ribs and pushed… Anyway, I have 20 minutes of recall and I'm gone for a day. And, it's established with other people. People said I was on emergency leave or on leave or off the base. But I was just under the base. And, there were other personnel down there.

"…I had marks, by the way, from an IV, or something, when I came out of there. I had the bruise and I had a bandage. I will admit that. That's for real. I had it. I'm terrified to know or think of what might have happened…

"The only reason I have my records is because I was advised to steal some of them, by an Air Force Colonel, because he said they would vaporize you. He said, they are going to fireproof you. I was looked at, almost like a Frank Serpico kind of guy. I was not a team player because I was talking to everyone…

"Unfortunately, my friend, Alabama, went AWOL trying to get back home. At O'Hare Airport, he was captured by the FBI and returned to duty immediately. All he wanted to do was go home. But he was put back on flight duty.

I was riding with the senior master Sergeant on vehicle patrol, just totally depressed with everything, when Alabama called in — this is a real person — and said he was going to kill himself if he couldn't go home. And, this guy turned the pick-up truck quick and was heading toward the post. He said, you stay on the goddamn radio... I saw all the units across the flight line responding and everything.

Anyway, Alabama had a short M16, and he put it in his mouth, and took the top of his head off. This was the first time I ever saw death, violent death, at 19. We were as different as night and day, me and this kid. You know, he was the south, I was the north. He was very religious. I respect that, but we had nothing in common. He was a nice guy. And, they did not do anything to help us…"

Sgt. Clifford Stone: US Army.

"During the discussion of UFOs, the question, ultimately, is going to come up, can any government keep secrets, let alone the U.S. Government? And the answer to that is unequivocally yes. But one of the greatest weapons the intelligence community has at their disposal is a predisposition by the American people, the American politicians and the debunkers — people who wish to try to debunk UFO information. They immediately come out and say, oh, we can't keep secrets, we can't keep secrets. Well, the truth is, yes, we can.

"The National Reconnaissance Office remained secret for many, many years. The mere existence of the NSA remained secret. The development of the atomic weapon remained secret until once you exploded one you eventually had to tell some people what was going on.

"And we are conditioned by our own paradigms not to accept the possibility or probability of a highly advanced intelligent civilization coming here to visit us. You have evidence in the form of highly credible reports of objects being seen, of the entities inside these objects being seen. Yet, we look for a prosaic explanation and we throw out the bits and pieces of the evidence that don't meet our paradigm. So it is a self-keeping secret. You can conceal it in plain sight. It is political suicide to go and start hitting up intelligence agencies to get this information released. So, most of your members of Congress, and I know I've worked with a lot of them along that line, will balk and try not to do it. I can name you three members of Congress that were point blank asked to have a congressional inquiry on what happened here at Roswell…

"We have got to get the documentation as it exists in the Government files. We have got to get it released before it ultimately is destroyed. A good example is the *Blue Fly* and *Moon Dust* files. I had classified documents the Air Force acknowledged. When I got members of Congress to help me open up more files, they were immediately destroyed and I can prove this.

"Somewhere along the line, they may see that material and realize there is some very highly sensitive information that would have a damning effect upon the national security of United States should it become compromised. It needs to be further protected, to insure that there is only a limited access to that information to a small number of people. So small you can put them on a list of paper, on a piece of paper, and list them by name. Thus, you have the special access programs. The controls that were supposed to be put on the special access programs are not there.

"When Congress did their review of the way we protect documents, and the way we go ahead and implement our secrecy programs, they found that you had special access programs within special access programs — that it was essentially impossible to keep control of them all by Congress. And, I'm telling you right now; it is essentially impossible to keep control of them all.

"When it comes to UFOs, the same criteria applies. Therefore, only a small nucleus within the intelligence community, numbering less than a hundred — no, I'd suggest less than 50 — control all that information. It is not subject to congressional review or oversight at all. So, Congress needs to go ahead and ask the hard questions and convene a hearing."

Master Sgt. Dan Morris: US Air Force, NRO Operative.

"I became part of a group that would investigate, gather the information, and in the beginning it was still under the *Blue Book*, *Snowbird* and different covert programs. I would go interview people who claimed they had seen something and try to convince them they hadn't

seen something or that they were hallucinating.

"Well, if that didn't work, another team would come in and give all the threats. And threaten them and their family and so on and so forth.

"And they would be in charge of discrediting them, making them look foolish and so on and so forth. Now if that didn't work, then there was another team that put an end to that problem, one way or another."

A.H.: Boeing Aerospace Employee.

"A CNN reporter in Washington, D.C., the second time that Gorbachev came to America, was able to interview Gorbachev and his wife. When they got out on the street they drove the security detail up the wall.

"And a CNN reporter asked Gorbachev *'Do you think we should get rid of all our nuclear weapons?' And his wife stepped in and she said, 'No, I don't think we should get rid of all our nuclear weapons because of alien spacecraft.'*

"Now CNN put this story on for the half hour, on CNN headline news; I heard this and I jumped up and put a blank tape in to record the next half-hour. Well, that story disappeared and you know who intercepted that. It was the CIA that got involved with that, because I know that they were monitoring CNN and all international headlines at that time. They squashed that, but I heard it. And this tells me that my information is correct about Ronald Reagan, from my NSA source. The secrecy is just total overkill as far as I'm concerned. And the Congress needs to know about this information…

"He said that we're trying to get a lid on this to try to minimize the sightings and quell the news media and the witnesses that are reporting these sightings to the news media. The Air Force wanted to push this thing under the rug and continue to research it and just get a handle on it. He confirmed that the Air Force wanted to steer the news media off on some crazy idea that these sightings were created by college pranks and balloons and meteorological problems…

"What he told me regarding the security ramifications were that if their military personnel talked about this they could be court martialed or at least threatened to be court martialed to get him to back down. Other intimidations would be to hold their paychecks back, transfer them to other bases where a lot of people would not want to go to, like Alaska…

"Basically, these projects were controlled by the Majestic 12 group, which is no longer called MJ12. I'm trying to find out the new name of this group. My contact that worked at Area 51 knows the name of the group, but he's refusing to tell me the name. Basically it's an oversight group intermingled with the National Security Council and the National Security Planning Group in Washington, D.C. There is a group called the National Security Planning Group that oversees everything. And Majestic 12 is intermingled with these people, the National Security Planning Group.

"They have full control. They alert the President of what's taking place and he either authorizes or just says, hey, you guys go at it. They have full control. They have no Congressional oversight whatsoever. They answer to nobody, except for the President of the United States. But they are trying to push even that aside, away from the President, from what I understand.

"The Presidents no longer have that much control over these groups anymore. It's like a separate entity."

Officer Alan Godfrey: British Police.

"I was absolutely amazed at what happened after that. My life just turned upside down in an instant. From being a happy go lucky chap, within a space of six months I was put through hell and turned into one of the most horrible persons you could ever imagine coming across. Purely through harassment, stress, victimization, you name it, I had it."

Sgt. Karl Wolfe: US Air Force.

"I didn't want to look at it any longer than that, because I felt that my life was in jeopardy. Do you understand what I'm saying? I would have loved to have looked at it longer, I would have loved to have had copies. I would love to have said more about it, discussed it more, but I knew I couldn't. I knew the young fellow who was sharing this was really, really overstepping his bounds at that point.

"I felt that he just needed somebody to talk to. He hadn't discussed it, couldn't discuss it, and he wasn't doing it for any ulterior motive other than the fact that I think he had the weight of this thing on him and it was distressing to him...

"I knew that I couldn't go anyplace for at least five years without telling the State Department where I was, after I left the military. Any time I traveled I had to notify and get permission, even in the United States. They had to know where I was all the time. As an example, if we went to Vietnam there was always someone there with us, with a gun, ready to annihilate us basically if we should fall into the hands of the enemy. They didn't want the enemy to get us; we would be killed instead.

"So we knew we were operating under these sort of conditions. Your life was in jeopardy all the time, should you fall into the wrong hands. So we were aware of that. I was told when I left that I would be investigated on a regular basis to make sure that I wasn't involved in any peculiar activities that didn't suit the government's needs."

Ms. Donna Hare: NASA Employee.

"There was a point in time when I had some people come out and tell me I shouldn't talk about this. They didn't threaten to kill me but I got the message I shouldn't talk about it. But I'd already talked about it so much it didn't really matter anymore. And like I said at the [1997] congressional briefings, I really started feeling like this topic was like sex. You know, everybody knew about it but nobody talked about it in mixed company.

I'm waiting to tell more whenever there's a

congressional hearing where I could be protected. I trust Dr. Greer. I feel he's done everything he said he would do as far as protection, secrecy of what I give him, for now. I want it to come out when it's necessary and proper and can do some good.

I don't want people going around that are trying to get rid of these people or hurting them or challenging them or making them so frightened they move away-like this one particular man I know of who has just disappeared off the face of the Earth. This one man, he has disappeared. I just don't want that."

Mr. John Maynard: DIA Official.

"Of corporations involved in this matter, Atlantic Research Corporation is one of the big ones. So it's not very often heard about. It's an insider beltway bandit, if you want to call it that very low profile, mostly has all of its work done within Intelligence. TRW, Johnson Controls, Honeywell: All of them at some point or another became involved with the Intelligence field.

Certain works, activities were contracted out to them. Atlantic Research was one of them — way back. These are entities that were created out of people in the Pentagon to become a 'beltway bandit' — received projects, grants, and monies to do certain projects that were so highly classified and compartmentalized that you know only about four people would know what was going on. So it was that tightly controlled."

Dr. Robert Wood: McDonnell Douglas Aerospace Engineer.

"As you may know, when you get cleared for one of these classified programs you wear your special badge and you know you can talk to anybody who's in the room with a lot of candor and it feels like that's one's psychological group—there's a lot of camaraderie that builds up. And you had access to special libraries.

So one of the things that we could do is go up to the library that the Air Force ran and sort of paw through top-secret material. Since I was interested in UFOs, when I had some usual business to take care of, I'd also look in their library to see what they had on UFOs.

And for about a year I was getting quite a few hits on the subject about various reports. Then all of a sudden, the whole subject material vanished. The entire classification for the subject just vanished. The librarian in our group that I was working with said he'd been in that vault for twenty years and knew exactly how things were normally done.

He said, this is remarkable. He said, I've never seen that before, you just don't have a whole subject vanish out from under you. He said, I think there is something there that you hit on...

"In the meantime, there was one other thing that came about as a result of my association with Jim McDonald. I liked the guy; he was really an energetic physicist and wouldn't let any grass grow under his feet. When he got a case he would dig his teeth into it and present an overwhelmingly convincing story to professional societies.

"He would talk to the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics and the American Physical Society, and I happened to be members of both. So whenever he was in town I would pick him up, escort him, made sure he felt welcome.

"So once when I was traveling through Tucson, where he lived, I stopped- I had a two-hour layover to catch an airplane — and he came out to the airport to have a beer with me. I said, 'What's new, Jim?' He said, 'I think I've got it.' I said, 'What do you think you got?' He said, 'I think I got the answer.' I said, 'What is it?' He said, 'I can't tell you yet. I have got to be sure.' It was six weeks after that that he tried to shoot himself. A couple of months after that he finally died.

"Knowing what I think I now suspect about the skills of our counterintelligence people, I think we had the capacity to convince him to do it himself. I think that's what happened...

"Clearly in order to have effective control of this subject, you have to control it at all levels and the most obvious level is the media. So you have to look at all the kinds of media there are, the movies, the magazines, and of course in the early days that's all it is, newspapers and movies and magazines. Now we have the Internet and video and all those other sorts of things. But as the technology has blossomed in these other avenues, the people worrying about this control have also just moved into those avenues right along with them. So every time a new avenue comes up they have a new counterpoint."

Glen Dennis: NM UFO Crash Witness.

"One of the MPs took me aside and he just said, look mister, you don't go and start any. Nothing happened down here. And he said, if you do you know there'd be real serious problems. The way my character was at that time, I just said, I'm a civilian and you can go to hell. And that's when he said, you may be the one going to hell. He said, somebody would be picking my bones out of the sand if I talked."

Sgt. Leonard Pretko: US Air Force.

"In the military they do ridicule you and I was ridiculed a few times about these UFO events. I was told that I would never make Master Sergeant if I brought this crap up again. My superior said, 'If you keep this crap up you will never make Master Sergeant. You will get orders for Tech but you will never make Master Sergeant. They will force you out of the military.'"

Dr. Roberto Pinotti: Italian UFO expert.

"Probably there are, in every part of the world, invisible links with a definite invisible college that is keeping this secret. They are dealing with this subject from the standpoint of research secretly in order to have gains and technologies to be applied in a various ways. The UFO problem is not only a scientific problem, it is also an intelligence problem.

"This is the second important face of the UFO reality. When we begin to understand this we may understand a

lot of things, because all this has to do with power. Power everywhere, in every country, with every government, with every situation."

Dr. Paul Czysz: McDonnell Douglas Career Engineer.

"The black budget world is like trying to describe Casper the friendly ghost. You might see a cartoon of him but you don't know how big he is, you don't know where his funding comes from, you don't know how many there are because of the compartmentalization and the oath that people have to take. I know people today that worked on one of the things that I worked on, and if you asked them about it — even if it is being discussed on the Internet — they would say no, I have no idea what you're talking about. They're in their seventies now, but they still absolutely would never admit that they even know what you're talking about. You have no idea, but it's probably larger than you think."

Astronaut Edgar Mitchell.

"But it has been the subject of disinformation in order to deflect attention and to create confusion so the truth doesn't come out. Disinformation is simply another method of stonewalling. And that's been used consistently for the last 50 years or so: Weather balloons over Roswell as opposed to a crashed craft of some sort. That is disinformation. We've seen that for 50 years. And it's the best way to hide something...

"Whatever activity is going on, to the extent that it is a clandestine group, a quasi-Government group, a quasi-private group, it is without any type, as far as I can tell, of high level Government oversight. And that is a great concern."

John Callahan: FAA Head of Accidents and Investigations.

"...When they got done, they actually swore all these other guys in there that this never took place. We never had this meeting. And this was never recorded...

"This was one of the guys from the CIA. Okay? That they were never there and this never happened. At the time I said, well I don't know why you are saying this. I mean, there was something there and if it's not the *Stealth* bomber, then you know, it's a UFO. And if it's a UFO, why wouldn't you want the people to know? Oh, they got all excited over that. You don't even want to say those words.

"He said this is the first time they ever had 30 minutes of radar data on a UFO. And they are all itching to get their hands onto the data and to find out what it is and what really goes on. He says if they come out and told the American public that they ran into a UFO out there, it would cause panic across the country. So therefore, you can't talk about it. And they are going to take all this data...

"Well when they read the reports that came through, the FAA decided it had to protect themselves — you can't say you saw a target, even though this is what he said. So they made him change his report to say 'position symbols,' which makes it sound like it wasn't really a target. Well if it's not a target then a lot of the other position symbols that we are separating [on radar] aren't targets either. And when I read that, I thought oh, there is something fishy here, that somebody is worried about something or other and they are trying to cover up.

"When the CIA told us that this never happened and we never had this meeting, I believe it was because they didn't want the public to know that this was going on. Normally we would put out some type of a news release that such and such happened...

"Well, I've been involved in a lot of cover-ups with the FAA. When we gave the presentation to the Reagan staff I was behind the group that was there. And when they were speaking to the people in the room, they had all those people swear that this never happened. But they never had *me* swear it never happened. And it always bothered me that we have these things going on and when you see something or you hear something on the radio or TV, the news, that it's put down as it's not there. I have a hard time saying nothing...

Michael Smith: US Air Force Radar Controller.

"NORAD [North American Air Defense Command] knows about it. They had called NORAD. The senior NCO pulled me to the side and said that NORAD knows about it — that's the only people we notify. We don't talk about this. We don't tell anybody about this. The people that know know. We just watch, see what happens, and that's it. That's our job.

"I insisted there has to be a report filed or something filed, you know? And he said that there is a report that you can file — it's about an inch thick, and the first two pages are about the sighting. The rest of it is basically a psychological profile of you, your family, your bloodlines, everything.

"When the Air Force goes through it, they can discredit you completely by either saying that [you were] on drugs, or your mother was a communist, or anything to discredit you. You'd never get a promotion, and [you'd] spend the next three and one-half years up at the North Pole, living in a tent, checking the weather balloons. You know — no hope for promotion. So, the message was pretty loud and clear: You just shut-up and don't say anything to anybody...

"Another experience I had happened on third shift. I was on the radar, and NORAD called me and informed me that there was a UFO coming up the California coast and it would be in my area pretty soon.

"I said what do you want me to do? And they said, 'Nothing, just watch it, don't write it down.' We have a log book in which we are supposed to keep track of anything out of the ordinary. But they said, 'Don't log it or anything, just watch it. We are just letting you know — heads up.' NORAD was well aware, obviously, that these UFOs were around, and the action of the people when I first saw the UFO on radar was as if it happens quite often."

"The government, they cover up. They don't want

anybody talking about it. But this is such remarkable technology. These people come from who knows where. I would think you'd want everybody to know…

"On a personal note, after the first event happened in Oregon, I came home on leave and told my Dad about it. He was red, white, and blue through and through — an old WWII hero and all that, and very patriotic.

"I was explaining to him about these UFOs that we routinely see out there, and he said, 'No, the Government says that there are no UFOs.' I'm saying, Dad, I've seen these on radar with my own eyes. And he says, come on, the Government would never lie to him. You know? But here's his son; I would never lie to him.

"So, he just didn't know what to do. It wasn't until years later, until after Watergate, that he said, 'Hey, sit down and tell me about this. The Government is lying to me about a little thing like Watergate, so obviously they are out lying about something big.'

"It's a Government cover-up that doesn't need to be here any more. There is no more Cold War. I believe the same thing Dr. Greer does, that the technology they have could enable us to stop burning our fossil fuels and stop the damage to the ozone, etc. These people have technologies — they must have something. And the Government knows about it. They have these aliens, they have these spacecraft, they have this technology, all this. There's a lot of back-engineered technology, that's pretty obvious. Who are they to cover this up when other Governments are coming forward, admitting, and showing their files — why isn't our Government?"

Franklin Carter: US Navy Radar Technician.

"They didn't want anybody to know anything about what we were seeing. And I think that started the cover-up. And then it got out of hand.

"But I know that the only people that they are keeping it secret from today are the Americans. Everybody else knows about it and accepts it. And all of the other Governments in the world except England and the U.S. primarily, are accepting it.

"It's very irritating to me personally, to see that go on."

Neil Daniels: United Airlines Pilot.

"In the past pilots that had seen things and had talked about it were let go. Some were released from their flying and treated as nutcases and things like that. So that was the last I said of it for many, many years."

Lt. Frederick Fox: US Navy Pilot.

"There is a publication called JANAP 146 E that had a section that says you will not reveal any information regarding the UFO phenomenon under penalty of $10,000.00 fine and ten years in jail. So they were quite adamant that whatever experiences you had you were not to go public with it without their permission…

"The subject never came up with Air Traffic Control. In any event I would never have opened my mouth. There was a Captain, Pete Killian, who was written about in some of the UFO books. He was a Captain with American Airlines back in the '50's that evidently had a sighting and testified before the Senate committees.

"And then there was another captain that actually took a photograph of a UFO off his wings. And of course they were subject to ridicule. I didn't want to go that direction. So, I never reported anything to FAA or the military. A lot of pilots just did not want to get involved in this because of peer pressure and ridicule. So the secret has been kept…

"I have a very personal friend that was a B-24 pilot during W.W.II that got into [the] O.S.S. And he was one of the first people into Japan after the atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima, Nagasaki. He ended up on *Project Bluebook*, Section 13, which I believe was the top-secret portion of that investigation. At the time he was a captain in the Air Force. He's in his late '70's now and he is still being carried on active duty as a captain.

"I don't know if he's being paid but if he's on active duty he should be a three star general with time and rank and he should be paid. And the whole reason that they have kept him on active duty is to keep his national security oath active because of what he knows. There are certain things that he will not talk to me about because of that security oath even though I had a top secret clearance with the Navy and we are both very interested in the same thing.

"For whatever reason the Government, or those agencies of Government, deem necessary to protect their agendas, which obviously now aren't our agendas. I think it is time for us to act, to end this charade. And to take whatever steps are necessary to insure that the human race evolves properly and enjoys the fruits of that evolution."

Captain Robert Salas: US Air Force, SAC Launch Controller.

"I wrote up a report about this incident; it was in my log and I turned it in. When we got to the base we had to report to our squadron commander right away. And in that room with my squadron commander was a fellow from AFOSI (we had an Air Force Office of Special Investigations on the base). He was there in the office with the commander.

"He asked for my logs and he wanted a quick briefing although it seemed to me he knew pretty much what had happened already. But we gave him a quick briefing and then he asked us both to sign a non-disclosure agreement saying this was classified information — we were not to release this to anybody, and that was it. We couldn't talk; he told us we could not talk about this to anyone, including any of the other crews, our spouses, our family, even amongst each other…

"Bob Kominski headed up the organization to look at all aspects of these [UFO related ICBM] shutdowns. Kominski relates to me in writing that at some point he was told by his boss that the Air Force said, 'Stop the investigation; do no more on this and in addition do not write a final report.' Again, this is very unusual especially in light of the fact that CINC-SAC headquarters was

stating that this was of extreme importance to find out exactly what happened here. And yet, the head of the investigative team was told during the investigation to stop the investigation and not write a final report."

Prof. Robert Jacobs: US Air Force.

"After an article [came out about the incident], the shit hit the fan! I started being harassed at work. I started getting odd telephone calls that would come during the day. At night, at my house I would get telephone calls — all night long sometimes — 3:00 in the morning, 4:00 in the morning, midnight, 10:00. People would call and start screaming at me. You are going down motherfucker! You are going down motherfucker! And that's all they would say. And they'd keep screaming that until I finally hung up the phone.

"One night somebody blew up my mail box by putting a big load of skyrockets in it. The mailbox went up in flames. And that night at 1:00 in the morning the phone rang. I picked it up and somebody said, skyrockets in your box at night, oh what a beautiful sight, motherfucker!

"And things like that have happened on and off since 1982...

"I believe this nutty fringe around UFOs is part of a concerted effort to keep serious study of it down. Anytime anybody tries to study this subject seriously, we are subject to ridicule. I'm a full professor at a relatively major university. And I'm certain that my colleagues at the university laugh at me and hoot and holler behind my back when they hear that I have an interest in studying unidentified flying objects — and that's just one of the things that we have to live with...

"What happened to the film is an interesting story in itself as Major Mansmann related to me and other people. Some time after I had gone, the guys in civilian clothes — I thought it was the CIA but he said no, it wasn't the CIA, it was somebody else- took the film and they spooled off the part that had the UFO on it and they took a pair of scissors and cut it off. They put that on a separate reel. They put it in their briefcase. They handed Major Mansmann back the rest of the film and said here, I don't need to remind you Major of the severity of a security breach; we'll consider this incident closed. And they walked off with the film. Major Mansmann never saw it again." (We published Professor Jacob's case in FSR years ago -FSR editor.)

Harry Allen Jordan: US Navy.

"A Lieutenant Commander whom I didn't know very well came over and he asked, you know, 'What's up Jordan? What have you got in your log?' And he says, 'You don't need to put that in there.' Now to me that was highly irregular, highly irregular to say that particularly on a ship's logs. I did have the contact logged in there. And I started writing in UFO."

James Kopf: US Navy Crypto Communications.

"A few days later the Commanding Officer and the Executive Officer came on the closed circuit television system that we had on board. It was the only way that they could address the crew of 5,000. He [the Commanding Officer] looked at the camera — and I will never forget this — and he said, 'I would like to remind the crew that certain events that take place on board a major naval combative vessel are considered classified and should not be discussed with anyone without a need to know.' And that was all he said."

B. WITNESS TESTIMONY.

Astronaut Edgar Mitchell: May 1998.

In February 1971 Astronaut Edgar Mitchell flew on Apollo 14 and was the 6th man to walk on the Moon. In his testimony, he acknowledges the fact that there have been ET visitations here on Earth as well as crashed craft and recovered materials and bodies. He also speaks of the concealment that has been prevalent surrounding this subject for over 50 years and the lack of oversight and visible Government control. He is concerned over our stewardship of this Earth and sees our growing environmental crisis as real.

[To be continued in FSR 46/3.■]

THE MYSTERIOUS TEMPLETON PHOTOGRAPH. BY GORDON CREIGHTON.

[Reprinted from FSR 10/6 (Nov/Dec 1964).]

The landing of a large UFO on 26th April 1964 at Socorro in New Mexico, at a spot only a few miles from the scene of the first A-Bomb Test, was proof enough that our visitors are still interested in our dabblings in realms that would no doubt be better left alone. During the following month (May) we had the strange episode of Mr. Templeton's photograph. Perhaps the two episodes are not unrelated ?

The published facts of the Templeton case seem to be as follows (see *Daily Express* and *Daily Mirror* of 13th June last): Mr. James P. Templeton, a Carlisle fireman, living at 201 Newtown Road, Carlisle, was, on a day in May, with his wife and two daughters on Burgh Marsh, on the lonely banks of the Solway Firth.

He was taking a series of colour photographs of his five-year old daughter Elizabeth. His wife and his other daughter were behind him. There was not a tree and not another person in sight. In the distance, on the other side

of the Solway Firth, lay the Chapel Cross Atomic Station and a NATO radar-tracking base.

The weather was excellent. There was nothing strange or unusual to be seen, although Mr. Templeton has since said that it did strike him as rather odd at the time that all the cattle and sheep that usually graze on the Burgh Marsh were "huddled together some distance away, as though a storm was brewing".

The series of pictures taken of the little girl were sent off to Kodak Ltd. for processing, and when they came back there was a note with them remarking that it was a pity that the best of the lot was "spoiled by a man in the background".

And a man there is, without doubt, despite Jim Templeton's emphatic statement that except for his little girl in front of him there was not a soul in sight.

The Kodak Company assured him that there could not possibly be any question of a flaw in the film or the camera. He took the picture to the Carlisle police, and their experts studied it. At first, said Detective Chief Superintendent Tom Oldcorn, they thought it was a double exposure. But soon they decided it was not.

The photograph, which is reproduced on page 12 [or rather inside front cover in this reprint issue], shows a man in a white garb which looks extraordinarily like a padded space-suit. And on his head is a helmet, apparently transparent.

The figure is standing with its back to Mr. Templeton and a few feet behind the little girl, and in fact seems to be looking across the Solway Firth towards the Chapel Cross Atomic Plant. The figure appears to be that of a big man. "At least seven feet in height", so the Carlisle fireman and policeman felt, as they studied the picture.

"Very puzzling", concluded Chief Superintendent Tom Oldcorn, "but we're not taking it seriously. It must be some sort of freak picture."

The next report was a ten-line piece in the *Daily Express* of 27th July, from which we learnt that Mr. Templeton was sending his camera and film to the Ministry of Defence to assist the Security men in an investigation which they were making of the affair.

In the meantime, the *Yorkshire Post* (24th July) was reporting that there was a local eccentric who often ran about naked on Burgh Marsh, and had been seen by numerous residents of the nearby village of Burgh-by-Sands.

The police, it seemed, were now quite satisfied that he was the man in the picture. But not Mr. Templeton, who said: "I have seen this man running about. When I saw him he was wearing a pair of shorts. I refuse to believe he is the figure in the photo. I am firmly convinced that he wasn't in sight when I took it. I haven't an explanation of my own but I refuse to accept this one".

The next item to come our way was even more interesting. The *Yorkshire Post* of 3rd September carried a report, from its Carlisle correspondent, to the effect that Mr. Templeton had now revealed that he had been closely questioned by two mystery men who arrived in a Jaguar, flashed Security cards, and referred to each other only by number. (No. 9 and No.11).

The rendezvous was arranged by telephone, and took place out on Burgh Marsh. The two very well-dressed and well-spoken gentlemen questioned him closely about the weather at the time when the photograph was taken, whether there were any birds about, and where the cattle were on the Marsh.

"Then one tried to trap me," said Mr. Templeton. "He said: 'This would be where the man was at the time'. I told him there was no man."

A young friend of mine, Mr. Gavin Warburton, now in South Africa, recently had a chat with Mrs. Elizabeth Klarer, who, as readers will know, claims to have ridden in a saucer and to have taken a number of photographs of the craft, in July 1956 (See *FLYING SAUCER REVIEW*, November/December 1956).

Mrs. Klarer told my friend that our visitors have more than one way of rendering their craft and themselves invisible to us, and that one of these ways is to cause some of the light-waves to be bent by the agency of their magnetic fields.

I suggest that when Mr. Templeton took his pictures of his daughter, a UFO had already landed, and was quite near him, in that very meadow. Do the camera and the human eye register precisely the same types of light-wave? Is it not possible that the only reason why the UFO does not appear on Mr. Templeton's picture is that he did not happen to have his camera pointed at it? But he did have it pointed at the back of a member of the UFO's crew.

Mr. Templeton, like all good countrymen, is a good observer. He noted that the cattle were huddled together as though a storm were brewing. But no storm was brewing; the weather was fine, as the beautifully clear photograph shows.

It is known however, that storms are magnetic, or at any rate, involve some kind of changes that affect the magnetic field. Is it then not likely that the presence of the UFO was sensed by the cattle, and that these animals were perceptive enough to know that there was something magnetic about it, something like the portents of a storm?

Mr. Rex Stanford, the well-known American UFO researcher, was recently in London, and he gave a most interesting talk at the Caxton Hall on 12th September to members of the British U.F.O. Research Association (BUFORA).

Among the many very interesting things that he said, I recall most particularly that he was present at Socorro, New Mexico, earlier this year, when Dr. J. Hynek (Director of Dearborn Observatory) and U.S. Air Force officials were there investigating the landing of 26th April.

Dr. Hynek and the U.S. Air Force take the Socorro case very seriously, Mr. Stanford told us. They know quite well that a large silvery craft, the size of two petrol tank-cars, landed there. They know that the witness, the highway patrol policeman Lonnie Zamora, has a high reputation for honesty.

They know that he saw several small men (about 3½ ft. high) near the machine. They know that the machine left deep wedge-shaped marks in the very hard earth, where its four feet had stood, and they know that as the machine took off, one of its legs grazed against a piece of rock and left particles of metal on that rock.

They also know that the landing received quite widespread publicity in the USA and here in Europe. In sum, they know that the Socorro case is one that they can't laugh away. No talk of Ford hub-caps or high-flying geese or low-flying planets this time.

I suggest that just as there are officials in the United States who take a deep interest in the Socorro landing, so too there are officials here in Britain who take a deep interest in the Burgh Marsh Landing.

And the same reasons underlie their interest. Those reasons relate to atomic energy. There are atomic installations near Socorro and near Burgh Marsh. Homo So-called Sap. is tinkering. Does he really know what he is doing? Is it not apparent that, even though he, poor fool, may not know, others, somewhere, do?

ADDITIONAL NOTE -G.C. June 20, 2001.

For years past we have heard persistent rumours and suggestions that around about the same time period, that is possibly on June 4 or 5, 1964 (or even on precisely the very **same** date, i.e. May 24, 1964), at the secret Woomera Base (31°05 S, 136°50 E) in the state of South Australia, British scientists were launching a *Blue Streak* rocket, when a similar entity -or entities- was or were seen near the Base, and, according to at least one story, **photographed**!

Whether any of this was true I have of course no way of knowing. If there was any truth in it, coud **that** be the reason why the "Men from the Ministry" got so excited about the photo, and so anxious to grill Mr Templeton -who, by the way, seemed to still be well and "going strong" when I last heard from him, maybe a year or so ago.■

ANOTHER GIANT UFO OVER THE YUKON.

© BY MARTIN JASEK, MSC, P.Eng., Special Correspondent of UFO * BC for the Canadian Yukon Territory, and FSR Consultant.

[In an e.mail dated August 22, 2000, Martin Jasek sends us this further extraordinary report, dated July 19, from the Yukon. The eyewitness is a woman whose identity is not at present being divulged, and who, for the purpose of this report, signs her name as "Cindy". -EDITOR]

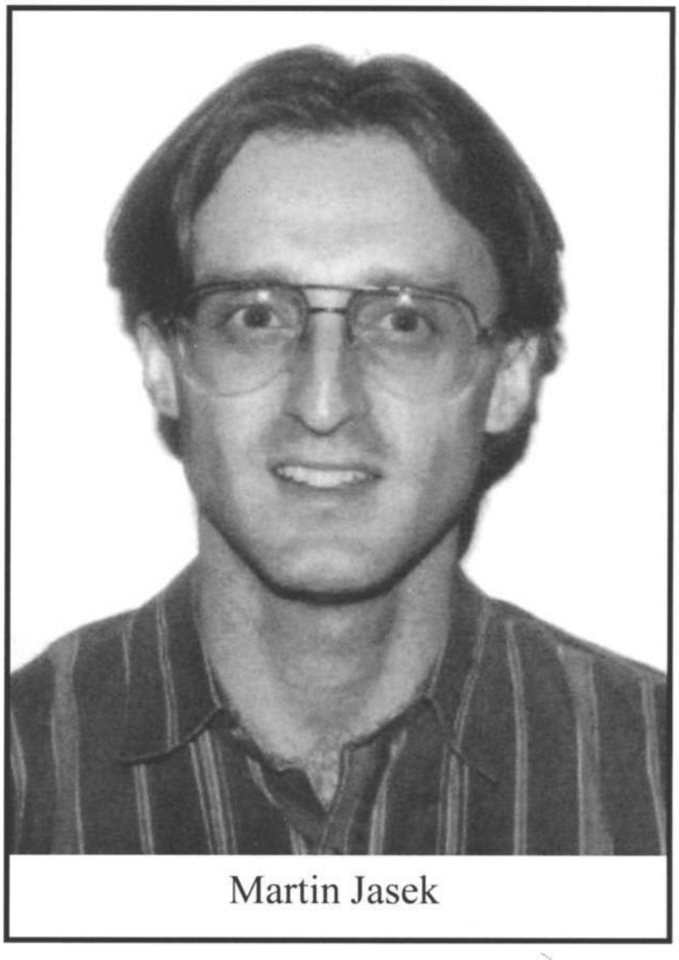
Dear Martin, I am a former resident of Juneau, Alaska, and when there I spent a lot of time in visits to Whitehorse [Capital of the Canadian Yukon. -G.C.] and was a very close friend of Don Brannigan, the then Mayor of Whitehorse... My job was serving as the Legislative Liaison between the Governor of Alaska and the Yukon authorities. I am well educated, and I am not given to flights of fancy.

It was in the fall of -I think- 1985, and I was driving to Whitehorse and Atlin. It was near the time when they were getting ready to close the Alaska/Yukon border-crossing for the winter, so it must have been in mid-October. Normally I would have gone by air, but this time I was going by road because I intended to stay for a few weeks.

I had disembarked from the ferry at Skagway at about 6.30 pm, and I started my drive shortly before darkness fell. I was seemingly the only motorist on the Highway, and I was not quite sure where I was because I had never driven that road to Atlin by myself..

The road surface was very bad and greasy, and I could only go at about 15 m.p.h. By now it was pitch-dark, and in several hours of driving I had not seen a single other car. I was completely alone in the wilderness, and beginning to get a bit scared, as I thought I was lost.

As I passed along the section known as the Tagish Loop (see map) I came round a bend and there, hanging in the sky, was the biggest UFO I had ever seen. It was simply massive. I was stunned. I stopped the car, and the next thing that I remember after that was getting into it again (though I don't recall having got out of it!) and then it seems I was instructed to follow a small light that was hovering about 100 ft. ahead of my car and at about 30 ft. above the ground. And I followed that little light all the way to Atlin - just like a beacon guiding me along.

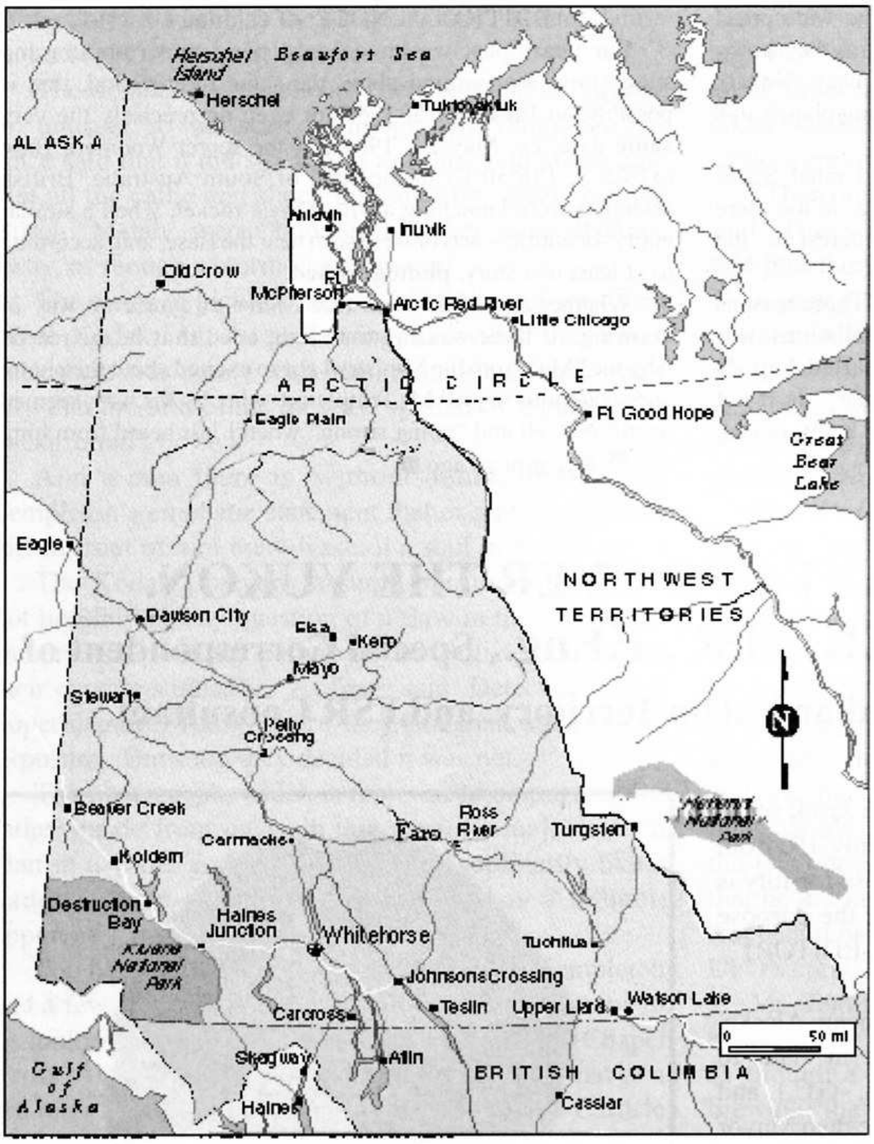


Martin Jasek

I reached Atlin at about 3.00 am. -a journey that should have taken 2 - 3 hours *had taken me six hours.*

The building in which I was going to stay was unlocked, the lights were all on, and my bed was even already turned down for me. I thankfully crawled into it and fell asleep.

But next morning I discovered that the caretaker of that building had not known that I was coming, and had not unlocked the doors or fixed the bed or turned on the lights for me.



THE MYSTERY -TO THIS MINUTE- is -*WHO DID?*

I told Mayor Don Brannigan about it, and he was as puzzled as I was. That building at Atlin in which I had spent the night was owned by him, but he had forgotten to tell the caretaker that I was coming and that he was to give me a key when I got there, or leave a key outside. So they had left the building locked, and with no lights on in it.

Oh the mysteries of it all, and how "they" seem to look after us in their own fashion!

A few days later, I read in my paper that the pilots of a JAPAN AIR flight * had reported seeing a mother-ship that was several miles wide - and in that same vicinity. There is massive UFO activity going on up there, and I am very happy that someone is finally documenting it .... "They" seem to choose areas that are not heavily populated. When I was in the Andes, in Peru, I recall that there was massive UFO activity there too.

(This one, incidentally, was my only UFO sighting in the Yukon. I had numerous sightings in Alaska). Sincerely "CINDY"

Dear Cindy, Thank you for your awe-inspiring UFO account. Wow! I also had the good fortune to meet Mayor Don Brannigan, and I actually did a one-hour radio show on UFOs with him, here in Whitehorse. It was a memorable event. It was Mayor Brannigan himself who gave us the first lead on the *Tagish Lake UFO photo* ** which was eventually uncovered thanks to him.

To accompany your own account when we publish it, it would be great if you would also do a sketch of the massive UFO for us? Yours, Martin Jasek.

Dear Martin, You are welcome to use my account if it will help you. As to the Tagish Lake photo, I saw something very similar to that one winter night in Juneau [South Alaska. G.C.] - probably in 1985.

I lived near to downtown there, right on the water. My front windows overlooked the channel towards Douglas Island. As I looked towards one of the mountain peaks, I saw what looked like the lights on a ski-run, but I knew that in fact the ski-resort was *behind* that mountain and could not be seen from my windows. Next I thought that it might be cars up there on the mountain, but there wasn't a road there.

There were at least a dozen of the lights, stair-stepping down the mountain, looking like white Christmas lights strung on the mountain in a somewhat circular pattern, spiralling downwards. Like the way one would string lights on a tree. It was quite pretty. I only saw that formation that one night. Another night I saw a saucer skimming the channel and then going under the water.

Night after night I saw one light perched on top of Mount Jumbo, on Douglas Island. It would arrive there at about 8.00 p.m. in the winter, and leave at about 9.00 or 10.00 pm. It would simply disappear to a pinpoint and be gone. At first I thought it was a star, but stars do not appear on the under side of the clouds which are a constant feature at Juneau. Also it was random - sometimes it was there and sometimes it was not. It was not stationary. It wobbled in its position. And it did not move with the rest of the stars and planets. It was always in the same place, and did not seem to move, except when I was in my car, and then it seemed to follow us.

I was not the only witness to this. My daughter and my best friend saw these lights too. Sincerely, "CINDY"

P.S. I heard Stanton Friedman speak in Anchorage, about ten years ago. Most interesting!

NOTES BY EDITOR, FSR.

Cindy does not appear to have supplied a sketch yet.

* We know of course that the date of the Japanese encounter was November 17, 1986. (See my full report on it, SAVED BY JUPITER!, in FSR 32/2, February 1987. See also Martin Jasek's own account of the next huge craft over the Yukon, in our last issue (FSR 45/2).

So it is evident that this lady's experience was *not* as she felt - in the fall of 1985 but in the fall of 1986 **and, in fact, as she says, only a few days after the Japanese case. So was it the same huge craft in both these cases? And, indeed, was it not in all probability the same giant craft that appears**

once more in Martin Jasek's latest case of December 11, 1996, as described by him in our last issue, FSR 45/3?

* * See Martin Jasek's report of the UFOs seen over Lake Tagish, in FSR 43/3 (Autumn 1998). This was his first report for FSR.

Altogether this makes a total of three huge craft seen over Alaska and the Yukon (1985, 1986, 1996). As the lady witness does not give any details other than that it was very big, we are using on our front cover one of Martin Jasek's artist's impressions.■

CONFIRMATION OF AN IMPORTANT U.S. NAVAL SIGHTING. BY GORDON CREIGHTON.

Five years ago (in FSR 40/3, autumn 1995) we gave Mr. Chester C. Grusinski's account of the day when, in 1958, serving aboard the American aircraft-carrier *Franklin D. Roosevelt,* he and many other U.S. Navy men observed the close approach of a huge 'cigar-shaped' UFO during their cruise off the American Naval Base at Guantanamo on the island of Cuba. Shapes of beings - not human - were seen inside the UFO.

Since that night Mr. Gusinski, now of Clinton Township, Michigan, has never ceased in his efforts to find other witnesses of that episode for - as he said in his report - there were *at least 25 other men on the flight deck* with him who *must have seen it.*

As Grusinski told us, CIA men immediately came aboard, and a massive cover-up started, with all crewmen who had knowledge of the sighting or who talked about it being immediately transferred out of the *Franklin D. Roosevelt* and allocated to other ships or jobs in the Navy.

According to an interesting and lengthy report by John Baugham now published in a journal named *The Broad Top Bulletin*, dated December 26, 2000, (evidently this is an old comrades' association journal for those who served on the American carriers) one such witness who has come forward to confirm Grusinski's statements is Harry A. Jordan, now of Omaha NE, who served aboard the U.S.S. *F.D.R.* from 1962 to 1965.

Throughout the years since 1958, Grusinski, as he has already told us, continued his research, and had discovered tha the *F.D.R.* had been involved in a second UFO incident in 1956, and in yet further incidents in the 1960s.

The *F.D.R.* was finally decommissioned in 1977. Later, via the Freedom of Information Act, Grusinski secured a copy of the ship's deck logs for 1958 and 1959. And, he says, he found that "*a lot of information was blackened out*".

Here is Harry Jordan's continuation of the story, as given in Lucius Farish's Newsclipping service, in a letter from him to Grusinski in August last. Jordan it seems, just like Grusinski, had been searching ever since 1958 to contact other ex-crew members who had witnessed the same incident, and he had found Grusinski's name on a posting on a Canadian website.

Jordan's statement to Grusinski reads:-

"In late 1963, aboard the *F.D.R.*, during my mid-watch on radar, off the coast of Sardinia in the Mediterranean, I detected a very large UFO. *I was subsequently told in no uncertain terms to keep my mouth shut for 20 years.*

"In summer 1998 I gave the Senate Intelligence Committee an affidavit concerning that experience. During that particular cruise there were several photographers aboard to document the NATO Naval Operations in which we were engaged, and they were present on the ship on the night in question."

(The complete text of Jordan's statement can be downloaded by going to www.majesticdocuments.com/witnesses/jordan.html).

From 1961 to 1965 Jordan served in the Operations Intelligence Division on three other U.S. warships as an expert on display, analysis, reporting, and recording of radar, radio and electronic emission data, and for this he had received extensive training at the Naval Station, Newport, Rhode Island. So, clearly he *was a specialist.*

Whilst aboard the *F.D.R.* he had served on two cruises in the Mediterranean, between 1962 and 1964. After discharge from active duty he then worked as an instructor at Jones Point Naval Reserve, Alexandria, VA, on the use of navigational equipment particular to radar intelligence, and thus he was an expert in this field too. He had served as a recognition expert on detecting surface or air objects at as far away as 300 miles. He had trained both enlisted men and naval officers.

JORDAN'S TESTIMONY BEFORE A U.S. SENATE UFO HEARING (SUMMER 1998).

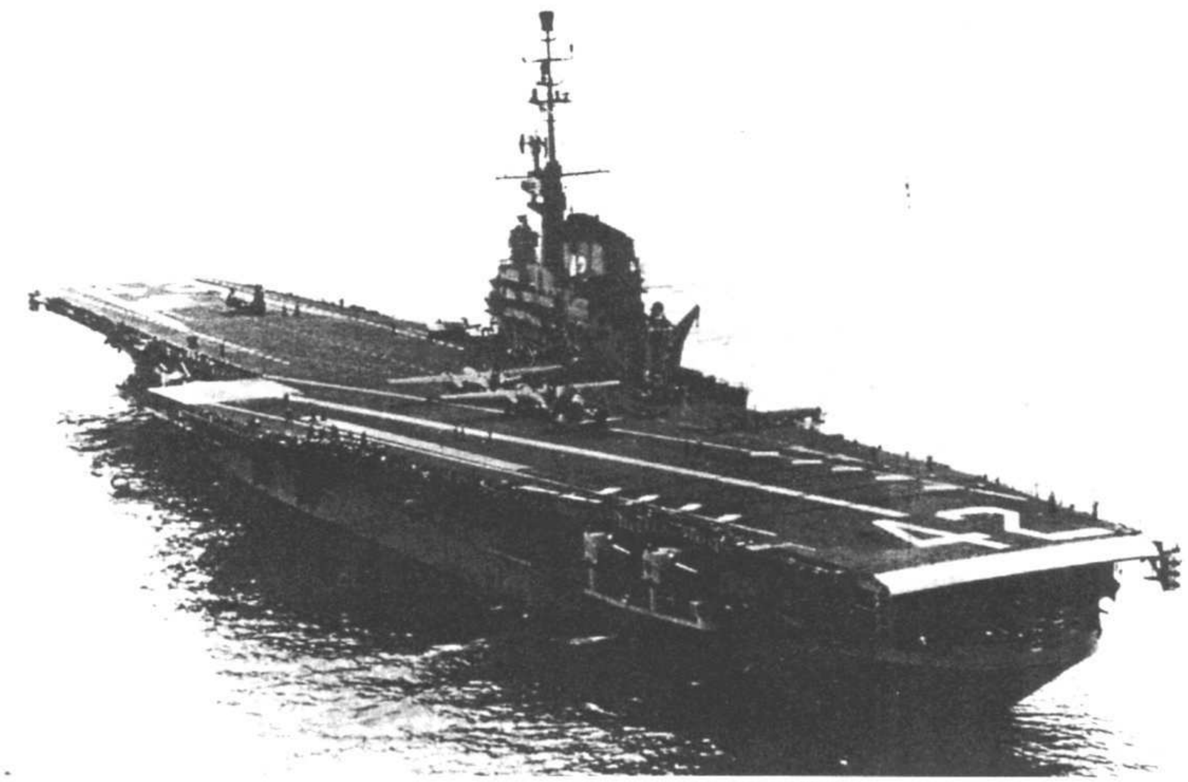
Here is Jordan's first-hand account at the Hearing:-

"Late one night in the fall of 1963, while operating off the coast of Sardinia at approximately 0200 hrs. Zulu Time, I was standing mid-watch on a SPA-8 repeater and height-finding equipment. My JFF box was enabled, and in the process of challenging an aerial contact approaching the ship from a bearing of 012 degrees releative to our course.

"The aerial contact was detected at 600 miles according to the calibration rings on my scope. I made several adjustments to the calibration settings because I didn't believe I could detect such a contact at that distance. The aerial contact was at a height of 80,00 ft., then dropped in about 20 seconds to 65,000ft. where the contact then hovered for about 10 minutes.

"During this period the watch-officer awoke the Division Commander and informed him of our situation. U.S. Naval Task Forces operating in the Mediterranean in those days were being subjected to frequent fly-overs by Russian *Bear* aircraft with electronic warfare capability. It was my job to stay alert for such a scenario.

"The Division Commander came into CIC, observed the radar returns, expedited his own ECM scan of the contact, and then informed the orderly standing watch at the Captain's stateroom. The Captain was apprised of



USS Franklin D. Roosevelt CVA-42
(See original report in FSR 40/3 -1995.)

the situation, ordered a course change into the wind, increased the ship's speed and gave order to launch aircraft. During this time I was continuing to observe the contact, and watched our *Phantom F4Bs* once they had attained sufficient altitude. The *Phantoms* went to after-burners vectoring to a course straight for the *bogey* on my scope.

"After a period of about 15 - 20- minutes the *F4Bs* were within 200 miles of the *bogey*, due north of our course. They turned on their conical scan radar, and the *bogey* disappeared from my scope. The pilots did not detect any contact on their own scopes, and were turned by the Air Ops C.O. and headed back to the ship. The Captain had kept the ship on a heading into the wind during this entire operation so that aircraft could be launched or recovered at will. The *Phantoms* returned to the ship and were recovered.

About five minutes after the recovery of the last aircraft, and during the process of turning the ship back to our original course, the contact "winked back on" again! *This time it closed in from a distance of 600 miles from the ship to right above us, in about one minute! The bogey* was travelling at around 3,600 miles an hour at an altitude of 30,000 ft. I never saw any heat signature.

"Someone in *C.I.C.* yelled out: "*Damn it - what the hell is that !*" I couldn't determine who it was that made that comment. Lookouts on the port and starboard lookout wings of the conning tower could not see anything above the ship with their binoculars. *The situation was bizarre, and the watch personnel looked scared but calm.*

"Watch-logs are always kept, particularly when a critical situation is under way. "General Quarters" practice drills are another matter - *but this wasn't a practice drill. The Captain had not called "General Quarters".*

"I recall vividly when it was first determined how unusual the situation had been. My Division C.O. (Commander Gibson, USN) asked me what, if anything, I had put in my log. He said to me *"Jordan, this never happened"*. (I was reminded of that comment later when I first saw the movie *"RED OCTOBER"*). I replied to him: "*Yes, Sir*".

"*I never mentioned anything to fellow-sailors,or to anyone else, until years after my Honourable Discharge from the Navy.* I was Honourably Discharged in December 1967, at Jones Point Naval Training Centre in Alexandria, Virginia.

"On watch that night were a plotter on the DRT, one on the VG, myself on the radarscope, and the watch-officer. *It was my distinct impression from hearing the airmen aboard during "chow-time" that they were confused about why the heck they would have such an unscheduled launch and not be told what had been going on that night. It was their duty to arm aircraft, etc. To me it was obvious that they had been 'kept in the dark' on this one operation. I myself never said anything to them (the airmen) about what had happened that night.*

"I myself have stood lookout watch by night and by day during my period of active duty. I have logged well over 1,000 hours of operating radar equipment and standing watch during my active duty with the Sixth Fleet. What I experienced that night will never be forgotten.

And what I have experienced since my discharge from active duty has become every more fascinating as the years have progressed." (End of quotation).

MORE TESTIMONY.

But that was not quite the end, for Jordan had some other interesting comments for the Senators at the hearing in summer 1998, as quoted here:-

"In 1985 I met Dr. John Kasher, a Physics professor at the University of Nebraska, Omaha. He was a consultant at Lawrence Livermore Labs in California and is at present a summer consultant on plasma physics at Huntsville for NASA. He is currently the State Director for the MUFON Network of Nebraska. He and I have personally investigated over 50 cases related to UFOs. These cases involve people from age 5 to the 70s.

"We have video tapes of private interviews, physical trace cases, and lab reports. Some of these cases involved events that ocurred on the ground simultaneously with STS-NASA missions. There are uncut, unenhaced video tapes produced by live-real-time NASA select 6 camera shots taken aboard the Space-Shuttle.

"*At present* the cameras aboard the Shuttle are monitored, the video signals are delayed several seconds, and sometimes minutes, before being fed into public video-feed networks. **Immediatetely after the STS-48 mission UFO flap in which Dr. Kasher and I were involved, NASA began to delay the live-feed.**

"Their premise for altering the video coverage of each mission was that they didn't want the world to be privy to the medical condition of the astronauts. This is pure hogwash, as NEVER has the medical condition of the astronauts been public knowledge through video monitoring to public channels. We have a copy of the original NASA directive which went out from NASA to all ground facilities on the day after STS-48 - the day of the UFO flap.

"The UFOs which currently are flying on station when the Shuttle is up are being fired upon by high performance aircraft using state-of-the-art particle beam weapons. The very character of a particle-beam does not need an atmosphere to be seen, it imparts its own coherence upon the vacuum of Space. We have video tapes of STS-missions as recent as STS-80 during the month of March 1997, wherein one can clearly see these beams coming up from the Earth through the cloud-cover below the Space Shuttle.

"What concerns us most here, from our personal field experience, is that out of all our private interviews (50) with eyewitnesses, not one instance of a negative or a sordid nature has been told to us. [But isn't 50 only a very small total? G.C.] Virtually all close encounters on the ground have been very passive, bizarre, and extraordinary to ordinary people-whatever "ordinary" means these days is another matter.

"It is with great concern for our fellow-Americans and citizens of the world at large that we question the reasons why UFOs are being fired upon. What the Federal Government of the United States of American knows about UFOs is not being shared. I question the current status of this posture and the reasoning behind it. These matters might well be beyond the knowledge of the Senate, Congress, and perhaps even of the President of the United States.

"If public hearings were held regarding these scenarios there would be some red faces at the Pentagon and NASA regarding the UFO issue and the reality of their occupants. Many decent law-abiding Americans have had real experience, and are prepared to come forward to share proofs. The truth needs to be brought forward without further hesitation". (End of quotations.)

NOTE BY EDITOR OF FSR.

I feel absolutely sure that everyone who reads this statement will agree that *unquestionably* Chester Grusinski and Harry Jordan have given us an astonishing - and no doubt, so far as it goes - a remarkably accurate picture of what happened on certain occasions when an American aircraft-carrier was seemingly visited and inspected at very close quarters by a large UFO.

On the other hand, what I think most of us will strongly doubt is whether, *ALL* UFO influences are so benign - as Mr. Jordan appears to think - and whether or not one can say that the authorities of the United States are doing the wrong thing in continuing - as they apparently *are* doing - to keep the entire problem so much "under wraps", and also to shoot at UFOs with particle beams.

As FSR readers will already know, my own opinion on this prickly question is that, while we now have a very great deal of evidence of *seeming* benevolence (or also of seeming *unconcern*) on the part of many of the so-called "*Aliens*", we appear to have an even larger volume of evidence that points in a different direction. *My own firm conclusion therefore is that it would be premature to come to hard and firm theories in one direction or the other. The Government may indeed be utterly right in their policy of silence.* As for the constant howls of these who claim that the Governments ought to "come clean with all the facts" tomorrow morning, I doubt whether many would be found to be exultant over the findings if they got them"!

As I have emphasised many times, one of the principal reasons for the alleged current 'apathy' of the British public towards matters unfological is that IN TRUTH THE SITUATION IS POSSIBLY CONTROLLED BY THREE 'DON'T WANTS': *FIRSTLY*, WE CAN ASSUME THAT THE ALIENS (OR AT ANY RATE A VERY LARGE PART OF THEM, HOWEVER NUMEROUS THEIR SPECIES MAY BE) CLEARLY DON'T WANT US TO KNOW WHAT THEY ARE UP TO HERE. *SECONDLY*, THE GOVERNMENTS - WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE 'UNDER ALIEN CONTROL' - ALSO DON'T WANT US TO KNOW WHAT THE ALIENS ARE UP TO. AND, *THIRDLY*, IT IS PATENTLY CLEAR THAT THE VAST MAJORITY OF HUMANS THEMSELVES ALSO DO NOT WANT TO KNOW WHAT THE ALIENS ARE UP TO HERE (AND I ADMIT THAT PERSONALLY I THINK IT HIGHLY LIKELY THAT, WITH THEIR POWERFUL TELEPATHIC FORCE, THE

ALIENS *THEMSELVES* ARE THE DIRECT CAUSE OF THIS APATHY AND DISINTEREST - IN OTHER WORDS, A VERY SMART POLICY!).

IF THE PUBLIC REALLY *DID* WANT TO KNOW THE TRUTH ABOUT UFOs. THEN FSR's READERSHIP WOULD BE ENORMOUS, AND NOT BE - AS IT IS AT PRESENT - HEADING FAST TOWARDS VANISHING POINT.

AND ONE SEES LITTLE LIKELIHOOD OF A CHANGE IN THIS SITUATION. [Credit and thanks to LUCIUS FARISH'S UFO NEWSCLIPPING SERVICE No. 379. G.C. February 2001]■

SAD NEWS FOR A FLAT PLANET.
BY GORDON CREIGHTON.

It takes a brave man to stand up and stand out against what he holds to be stupid popular myths, and this is the story of a few such men and their organization.

On April 18th this year Mr. J.W. Auchettl, Director of Phenomena Research, Australia, informed us of the death, in California, of the President of a particularly superb body, namely the FLAT EARTH SOCIETY. This was Charles Johnson of Lancaster, California, aged 76, who had been the Society's President for almost 30 years. As it so happened, I had enjoyed a lively correspondence with his predecessor, an Englishman whose name I now have forgotten, who lived here, in Dover, Kent. What I had not previously known however is the fact that this venerable society had actually been founded in Illinois, in the U.S.A., and at around the close of the 19th century!

The interesting story of my contact with the Flat Earthers was as follows. It was during the 1960s and 1970s, by which time I was no longer working in Whitehall but was installed in the splendid building of the Royal Geographical Society in Kensington, where I was one of a small group of three specialists engaged in research on world maps for British Government departments - mainly maps in Russian, Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Burmese, Mongolian and other Asian languages. Part of our job was also the establishment (in collaboration with the B.G.N, our American "opposite numbers" in Washington) of precise systems for the accurate transliteration into English of all these languages.

The Director of the Royal Geographical Society had invited me to become an FRGS, a member of his Society, and of course the RGS had a well known necktie. (As a sideline I had also already collected, in various parts of the world, quite a few weird and wonderful ties of extraordinary and "way out" groups, like the Ghost Club, the Doghouse Club, and so on. Needless to say also our FSR tie, which used to absolutely madden the Royal Geographical Society!)

It was the time when man was venturing into Space. Yuri Gagarin had led the way, and we were all becoming familiar with something totally new - photos of our Planet, taken by the astronauts, and the newspapers were full of absurd chatter about the great Space Age that was about to dawn, when we would all be spending weekends on the Moon and flipping about everywhere in capsules and rockets - none of which of course has occurred yet or maybe ever will occur, for this particular Naked Ape does not look likely to get very far into Outer Space.

Amid all this talk, we began to see press reports about an astounding fellow, this President of the Flat Earth Society, who was robustly declaring that all this talk of photos of our Earth from Outer Space showing it as round was utter tosh, and the photos all faked. For, as he explained, *the fact of the matter was that our Earth is **flat**, like a plate.*

This idea delighted me, because I at once perceived that his Society might also have a *necktie*, which, if I joined, I might sport every morning as I arrived at the RGS and would hopefully madden the RGS members even more.

N.B. The concept of a "Flat Earth" was of course in no way new or unfamiliar to me, for I knew that in the vast interior of China where I had spent so many years there were still enormous numbers of folk who firmly believed that the Earth is flat.

The ancient Chinese concept even indicates this, China being called, in their own language, CHUNG KUO, the MIDDLE COUNTRY, the only civilized place, with a cluster, all round it, of lesser barbarian tribes, like Tibetans and Mongols and Indians, fading away into the vast unknown back-lands filled with unknown primitive species such as Europeans, all of them of course hopelessly benighted and savage and incapable of comprehending or attaining to the true and unique level of the sole real culture - namely the *Chinese*.

I had once even had a long chat with the young Abbot in charge of a seemingly remote Buddhist temple lost in the mountains, but less than twenty miles from the Capital, BEIJING itself. Whether this young chap knew even as much as I did about Buddhism is pretty dubious, for I had studied not only Chinese but also Sanskrit. But his priestly chamber was furnished with a fine array of modern gadgetry, a cheap radio (Japanese made) a cheap Brownie box camera (Japanese made) a cheap hand-wound portable gramophone (Japanese made) and half a dozen l.p. records, including one of the *"Star Spangled Banner"*, which he played incessantly, alas, while we talked and sipped our tea.

Altogether, you see, he was a most worldly little priest, and probably not more than 40 years old. [Note that I have referred to his *"cheap"* Japanese possessions. Do not get me wrong! I am not mistaken. The year was *1935*, and most Japanese maufactured copies of Western goods and gadgetry *were* cheap, and often not too well made. Japan had not got to the point where, as we can

see now, such gigantic strides have been made in the quality of her fine instruments and also fine cars! G.C.]

And it seems the chief pride and joy of this little Abbot was his bicycle (also cheap Japanese make) which he kept in one of the rooms with all the big Buddhist Gods (15th century) and which he lovingly carried down the mountain every weekend so as to be able to pedal furiously across the level North China Plain into Beijing to revel in the fleshpots of life and the swarming streets and markets and the gross glamour and materialism of what the Buddhists so charmingly term *"the dust of life"*, the flimflam of the "Unreal", the "MAYA" of our material world. (For, as every wise man knows, like the prisoners in Plato's *Cave*, we cannot, while in this life, perceive the "REAL".)

After offering me the habitual and essential excellent bowl of Chinese tea - sans lait, sans sucre - he began to question me. *"Nin kuei kuo shih na yi kuo?"* - *"Your honourable country is which country?"* to which my standard and unavoidable reply had to be "*Pi kuo shih ying kuo", "My miserable country is England".* He continued: *"Na ma - ying kuo shih **na**-li? Shih tsai ti-li-tou ma" "Where **is** England? It is **inside the Earth**?"* To this I found it necessary to give a bit of explanation about geography and about our Planet. I said "*As you may possibly know, the Earth is **round**!" "Ah- t'ing shuo la!"* he cried. "*Ah yes - I've **heard** that!"*

Then he went on: -

"*So how do you get there - to England?"* Those were of course the days before the present vast development of airlines, and all our travelling to and from Asia involved weeks aboard ship - about five weeks to Shanghai, six weeks or so to Japan.

So I explained to him: "*To travel to England, my miserable and altogether despicable country, you have to go the the port of Tientsin* and there you mount aboard a "wheel-steamer" (first Chinese term for a "paddle-steamer" of the early type) and you sail around on the great globe of the Earth, down past Shanghai and Canton and Hongkong, and around Malaysia and Singapore, and across the great Indian Sea until finally at last you come to Europe, which is where my country, England, is". "Ah yes, he said. *"T'ing shuo - la". "So I have heard".* (However it still seemed clear to me from his expression that he didn't really believe a word of what I was saying).

Hanging on the wall behind him was a large brown, faded, scarcely distinguishable group photograph showing twenty or thirty European soldiers with their ugly big noses (so awful to the Chinese) and their dreadful great round ugly eyes - the eyes of *devils, as everybody knows* - and some of them sporting vast bushy beards. And they were wearing bush-hats with one side turned straight up, just like the hats of the Australians in World War I. (No Chinese man can grow a real beard. Body hair, under-arm hair, pubic hair - all is minimal in China. And as everybody knows, lots of body hair, hairy arms, and so on - like those folk the Indian Peoples next door - it all proves of course that you are still an *ape*. Of course you don't upset folk by talking about it. But in China everybody KNOWS it. If you are hairy it simply proves that you have not yet evolved to the level of Chinese culture. You are not yet really a human at all (even though of course you may make your ridiculous claim to be such!).

I knew instantly, from the bush-hats, who those foreign soldiers were! Thirty-five years before, in the "Boxer Rising", the Chinese mob had killed the German ambassador on the streets of Beijing and scores of other whites - mostly Christian missionaries - throughout China. By this barbarous behaviour the Chinese had called down upon themselves the wrath of the outside world. A huge allied military force, led by the German General Count von Waldersee, along with contingents of Japanese, British, French, and Russian troops, had converged on Beijing, saved the beleaguered staffs in the Embassies, and had delivered a severe retribution that the Chinee have never forgotten.

I asked him: "Who are those foreign, outside - country soldiers in that photograph, and when were they here in this your most honourable temple?".

He replied: *"Oh them; Oh, well, just a year or so ago".* We were now in 1935! It had taken a long time for thirty-five years to pass up there in that wonderful old Ming Dynasty temple built in the 14th or 15th century!

When I read with delight about the FLAT EARTH SOCIETY, I at once remembered my young friend the Buddhist Abbot. I was dearly hoping that the Flat Earthers would, like all respectable British clubs and societies, have their own necktie, so I at once wrote off to the dear old man in Dover and told him all about the Abbot, and assured him (I was not lying) that probably millions in Central Asia no doubt firmly believed in the Flat Earth.

The occupant of Churchill House, Dover, wrote back in a frenzy of ecstasy, and at once invited me to join him on a lecture tour in Canada, and I had a very difficult job indeed in getting out of it.

But the Flat Earthers had, alas, no tie. As he explaind it, they did not have enough members for that!

But, hopefully the Flat Earth Society must have grown and boomed now that their Headquarters and their President were once more in America. For according to Mr. Auchettl's report, they have today 3,500 members, which is just a shade more than FSR ever had at its best (3,200 for a few months), and far, far more than FSR has today, thanks to the INTERNET which is rapidly killing us.

So, anyway, I can still harbour hopes of getting that necktie, and if any of our many U.S. readers can inform me of the current address of the Flat Earthers Club in California, I will certainly make another attempt to see whether they now have a tie for my collection, and maybe I will be able to wear it when, as a Fellow, I am visiting the Royal Geographical Society.

The problem of such objects as UFOs and UFO occupants has of course been a sadly troubling one for fine solid upstanding citizens such as *Geographers!*

To my knowledge, *two* Directors of the R.G.S. have taken up cudgels in the battle against so ridiculous a subject as UFOs. In the first case it was while I was still working there, and some sharp words were exchanged. The second occasion, in the summer of 1995, involved a different Director-General, Dr. John Hemming, a great expert on Geography and a world authority on the native

tribes in the jungle of Brazil, but who was unwise enough to be quoted as stating in an article by Mr. Adrian Berry, Science Correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph*, not only that "*UFOs were non-scientific nonsense*", but that Mr. Stanton Friedman, a well known nuclear scientist "*lacked intellectual respectability*". We informed Mr. Jonathan Caplan QC, of this, and the result was that in due course the *Daily Telegraph* did publish an "apology of sorts", inasmuch as Dr. Hemming now said his words had not been intended to denigrate Mr. Friedman personally, *while making it clear that he still stuck to his opinion about UFOs.*

No doubt there are still some very unpleasant shocks in store for R.G.S. Directors and Fellows. G.C.■

SHE'LL BLOW SOON!: UFOs ALLEGEDLY PHOTOGRAPHED OVER MEXICAN VOLCANO. BY GORDON CREIGHTON.

POPOCATÉPETL (in Aztec language *popoca, smoke,* and *tepetl, mountain)* about 50 miles to the south-east of Mexico City (now the world's most populous city) is 17,794 ft. above sea-level and is Mexico's most dangerous volcano as well as being - at least until some years ago - rated as the country's highest peak, and the third highest of North America, and it "dominates the Capital like some hoary-headed sentinel".

According to the Aztec traditions, there seem to be definite folk memories of the day when "POPO" and its companion volcano ISTACCIHUÁTL (pronounced "ISTASHIHUATL, "WHITE WOMAN" *istac,* white, *cihuatl, woman* - 16,200ft. high), suddenly started to come into being after an enormous earthquake presaged by terrifying subterranean noises, and, over the years, grew in height astoundingly rapidly, vomiting lava and rocks and piling up to their present dimensions. (The appearance of another Mexican volcano, PARACUTÍN, only a few years ago, and its amazingly fast growth shows how rapidly the process can go). As the Aztecs had these very definite accounts of these two main volcanoes, I imagine that we can assume they both started up very "recently" indeed, *in geological terms.*

Proof of this might perhaps be provided by the number of eruptions of POPO of which we have record - that is, of course, to say since the Spanish Conquest of Mexico in 1519- 1521. In the years up to 1921 there seem to have been 11 major eruptions of POPO. These were in 1519, 1523, 1539, 1548, 1591, 1592, 1642, 1664, 1697, 1802, and 1921.

These extraordinary figures would seem to indicate that after the frenzied period of the 16th century, with no less than six dates given, POPO has been quietening down rapidly, so much so that after 1802 there was no further outbreak until 1921 - 119 years later! (In any case we well know that such long periods of quiescence are highly dangerous!)

Since FSR's establishment in 1955 we have however several times reported that POPO seemed to be stirring again, and this situation has gathered momentum over the past decade, during which there have continued to be massive waves of UFO sightings over and around Mexico City. And *during the last five years,* more Mexicans have secured video films or still photos of UFOs overhead than people in any other part of the world.

During these recent years the Mexican Government has clearly shown its recognition of the situation, for it has a network of seismic registering and monitoring devices all over the region and around POPO and ISTASHI. *One thing seems quite certain: whatever the ultimate intentions and motivations of the aliens may be, they are definitely studying the earthquake picture in Mexico.*

This should not be surprising, for so immense is the present size of Mexico City that, when POPO finally does blow in a big way, as likely as not it will take more human victims than any earthquake of which we have knowledge. A holocaust, something far, far bigger than the Vesuvius/ Herculaneum scenario of A.D. 79.

NOTE: On the front page of the German *UFO-NACHRICHTEN* for January/February 2001, were published two photographs, allegedly taken of UFOs over Popacatépetl at 1.20 p.m. on June 29, 1999, and at 6.10 a.m. on December 19, 2000. See inside back cover for these pictures.■

THE "UFO-BUSTER".

Dr. Oscar Rafael Padilla Lara, a UFO investigator resident in Miami, Florida, publishes a small Spanish-language bulletin with the title *COSMOVISIÓN*, and in his Year 3, No. 1 issue (1999) he reports that, on the small island of Vieques, lying off the east coast of Puerto Rico and facing the great U.S. Naval Base of Roosevelt Roads, Ceiba, the U.S. Goverment have established an installation to operate the H.A.A.R.P. scheme for "*shooting down unidentified objects*".

The installation is described as "possibly due to commence operating in August 1999."

(See in this connection, in FSR 46/1, Dr. Richard Boylan's article "*The Shooting Down of UFOs and the "Special Academy"* and, on page 5 of that issue, the sketch of the alleged "UFO-BUSTER" gun, as originally published in Jorge Martín's *EVIDENCIA OVNI* No. 11, 1997). G.C.■

OBITUARY: DESMOND LESLIE (1921 - 2001).

The honourable Desmond Leslie, a scion of an old aristocratic Anglo-Irish family, was born in 1921 at Castle Leslie in Co. Monaghan, Ireland, and died at the age of 80 at Antibes in the South of France on February 22 of this year.

His father, like himself, a talented man of many parts, was Sir Shane Leslie, and Desmond was himself a cousin of Sir Winston Churchill.

Desmond was educated at Ampleforth College and Trinity College Dublin, and from 1942 to 1945 he was a *Spitfire* pilot with the Royal Air Force.

A lively and witty companion, with a vast host of friends, Desmond's interests ranged over a wide field, from UFOs and Parapsychology and Eastern religions to music and the world of play-writing and the theatre.

Generally described as somewhat eccentric, it was typical of Desmond that, when a guide book once referred to the Leslies as an "eccentric family", he at once wrote to the publishers insisting that they weren't **just** eccentric, but **extremely** so! (There was nother joke about him which was current, though nobody seems to know whether he or another member of the family of the Leslies had coined it, namely that in his Air Force days he had "destroyed quite a number of aircraft", although it was not entirely certain on which side the losses were!)

With the publication in London in 1953 of his book *Flying Saucers Have Landed* (pub. Werner Laurie & Co.), Desmond and his American co-author George Adamski became famous, and the book was translated into more than fifty languages.

That it became quite a best-seller and was so successful was largely due to the fact that, as Waveney Girvan himself told me when he later became Editor of FSR (the **third** editor), he had completely re-written both manuscripts and welded them together into one readable book. (Incidentally, much that Waveney Girvan told me about those early days has never been revealed, and I still have material which may yet go far to indicate that George Adamski was by no means the liar and fraud he is made out to be, **but was telling the truth, and that at least some of his UFO photos are genuine**.)

Waveney Girvan, a hard-headed Scot and a qualified accountant, managed to re-establish FSR on a firmer footing after its second editor, Brinsley le Poer Trench, had almost bankrupted us by trying to distribute all copies free instead of **selling** them! (We still have the same problem today. There are folk who want FSR without having to pay for it!)

Desmond was by nature a typical romantic, always thinking and talking in the broadest of terms -not at all reliable on detail, as we often found- and always very fond of referring to the aliens (a term, however, never used in those days!) as **"The Boys Upstairs".** I have personally no objection to the use of this term for **some** of them, since I fervently hope that there really are Higher Forces involved.

What, however, Desmond Leslie -like so very many other folk today- never seemed able to bring himself to realise was that, in a rather large and extensive Universe, there might well be the possibility that among our "cosmic visitors" there might also be plenty of decidedly "ugly customers" for whom the label "Boys from **Downstairs**" could be a lot more applicable!

In its obituary note on Desmond the *Daily Telegraph* stated (inaccurately) that, along with another scion of an old Anglo-Irish family, the Hon. Brinsley le Poer Trench (later the Earl of Clancarty), Desmond had *"founded the Flying Saucer Review"*. Knowing as I do the early history of FSR, I perceived that this was quite untrue. Desmond had never at any stage been a Director or Editor or even a Consultant to FSR.

As I have the original Minute Books and early records, I checked up on this, and was surprised to find that Desmond had indeed been present at FSR's two first meetings, after which for some reason or other he seems to have dropped out. For many years he had no contact at all with us, but over the past ten years or so he was in close contact with me, contributing one or two articles.

Plainly, of course, his main interests lay in the world of music and the theatre and play-writing. His first wife had been the German actress and singer Agnes Bernauer (professionally known as Agnes Bernelle), from whom he was later divorced. His second wife, Helen Strong, to whom all our condolences and sympathies go, survives him, together with his two sons and three daughters, and his brother, Sir John Leslie.

A delightful companion and conversationalist, Desmond wrote a number of novels and plays. A gifted musician, he experimented with **Musique Concrète**, using samples of recorded sound. During the 1960s he moved back for a while to Castle Leslie (today run by his family) and, in a bid to restore their finances, he opened a night club, *Annabel's On The Bog*, in it, and entertained such house guests as Marianne Faithful and Mick Jagger.

All in all, a lively spirit, and one who, we may all be sure, will proceed blithely on his way upwards... G.C.■

EVIDENCE THAT NEWS AGENCIES HAVE COLLABORATED IN THE COVER-UP?

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE. Received by FSR March 19, 2001.

SEATTLE (March 8, 2001) -Some of the nation's best-known news organizations have quietly cooperated with U.S. government authorities to deceive the public about unidentified flying objects (UFOs), according to a new book by Seattle journalist Terry Hansen. They did this mainly by suppressing their own coverage and distributing government propaganda under the guise of factual reporting.

In ***The Missing Times: News media complicity in the UFO cover-up***, author Hansen explains how the same deception techniques used during wars and other national-security crises have been used to manage public perceptions about UFOs. Beginning in the 1940s, UFOs raised a variety of urgent national-security concerns among government policymakers who responded by deploying an array of standard censorship and propaganda methods, sometimes with the help of cooperative news organizations.

Although the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) has acknowledged it planned a covert mass-media program of "training and debunking" designed to discourage public interest in the UFO phenomenon, the Agency has not told the full story, Hansen reports. Documentation now confirms that the CIA orchestrated production of a 1966 CBS TV program about UFOs, narrated by famed newsman Walter Cronkite. The program, filled with false and misleading information, was broadcast as part of the "CBS Reports" documentary series during a period of especially intense UFO activity across the nation.

A range of evidence suggests that other elite news organizations known to have had close ties to the CIA also played key roles in the deception program. For example, an analysis of UFO-related coverage in the *New York Times* shows its reporting became more negative over time, even while evidence for the reality of UFOs was steadily mounting worldwide. The *Times* also published false government claims about the causes of UFO sightings when it could easily have determined they were untrue.

"It has generally been assumed that news organizations known to have cooperated with the CIA throughout the Cold War, carried out only Cold War assignments for the U.S. intelligence community," Hansen said. "My book argues that these assignments were related to UFOs as well. Despite official denials, UFOs have long been one of the most pressing national-security issues facing the U.S. government."

Terry Hansen, a former magazine editor, holds a master's degree in science journalism from the University of Minnesota. He can be reached by electronic mail at twhansen@pscu.com or by fax at 206 - 855 - 8075. *The Missing Times* is available from Xlibris at 1-888-7-XLIBRIS (www.xlibris.com/TheMissingTimes.html). More information about the book can be found at: www.TheMissingTimes.com ■

FSR MAILBAG. June 18th, 2001.

Dear Mr Creighton, Dr Greer has asked us to send you the enclosed signed copy of *Disclosure*, which includes the edited testimony you so graciously allowed the Disclosure Project to film.

We thank you for your participation and courage in coming forward.

Most Sincerely, Sarah Corinne.

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Afton, VA 22920, USA.

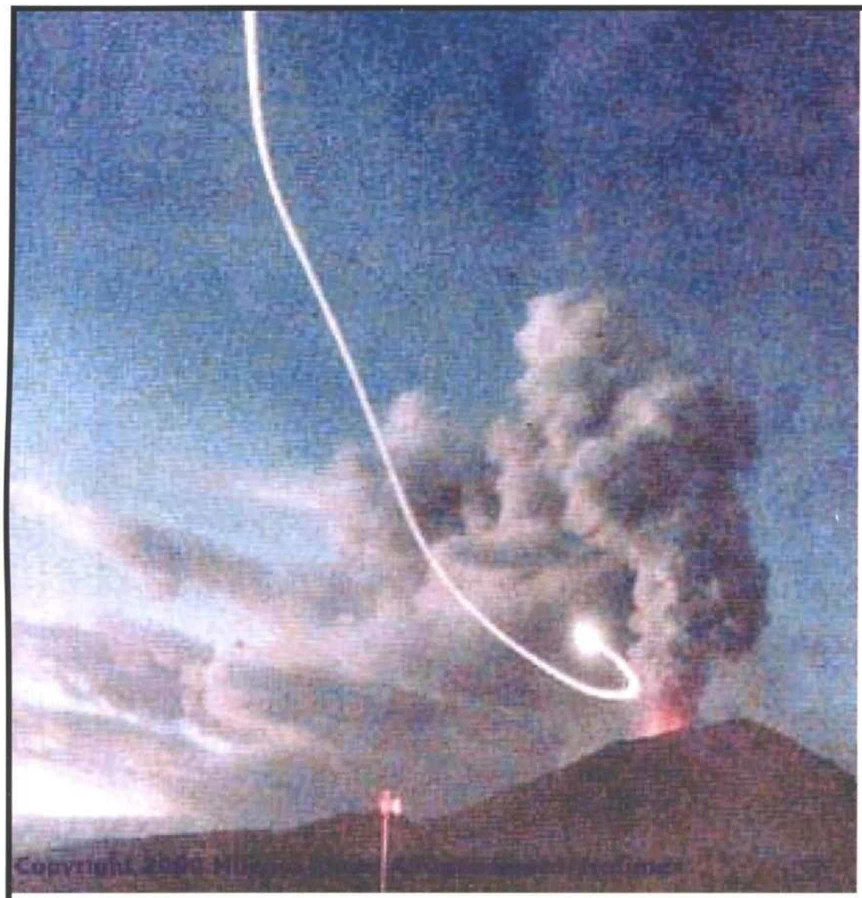
FSR READERS PLEASE NOTE!

This 570-page book, *Disclosure: Military and Government Witnesses Reveal the Greatest Secrets in Modern History*, is not a general edition for sale to the public. This will no doubt come later. -G.C.■

RESPONSE TO MR CAPLAN'S APPEAL LETTER.

We are grateful and quite overwhelmed by our Readers' response to the appeal, and it has been particularly heartening to see that, running like a golden thread through the huge piles of letters, we find always this same theme: That FSR ***is*** special, and must not be allowed to disappear.

For reasons of time and space we will say no more now, but talk about this more in the next issue. -G.C.■



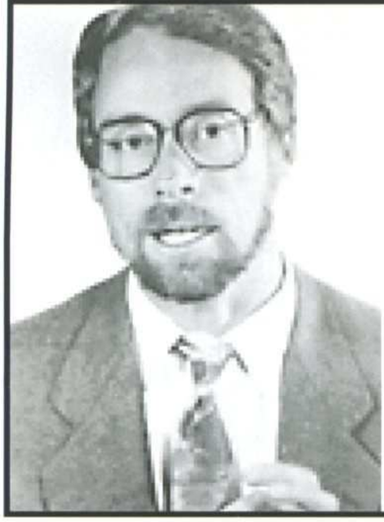
Photograph taken at Mt. Popocatepetl, Mexico by reporter Alfonso Reyes at 6:10 am on December 19th, 2000. He claims that the photo was taken in a 20 seconds exposure time and a 24 mm angular lens.

He also claims that he didn't see the flying object and that it wasn't until the development of the film that he discovered what the camera captured.

It has been observed by some that lack of blurring of the smoke plume (which should have occurred within 20 seconds) suggests that this is a faked picture.

Enlargment of circled area in photo on left.

In June 29, 1999 the surveillance camera of the CENAPRED, the goverment agency for disasters prevention was monitoring Mount Popo taking pictures at time intervals. At 1:20PM the camera captured a strange disk shape dark object very near from the volcano crater and emerging among the smoke clouds.



Dr Steven Greer www.cseti.org

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